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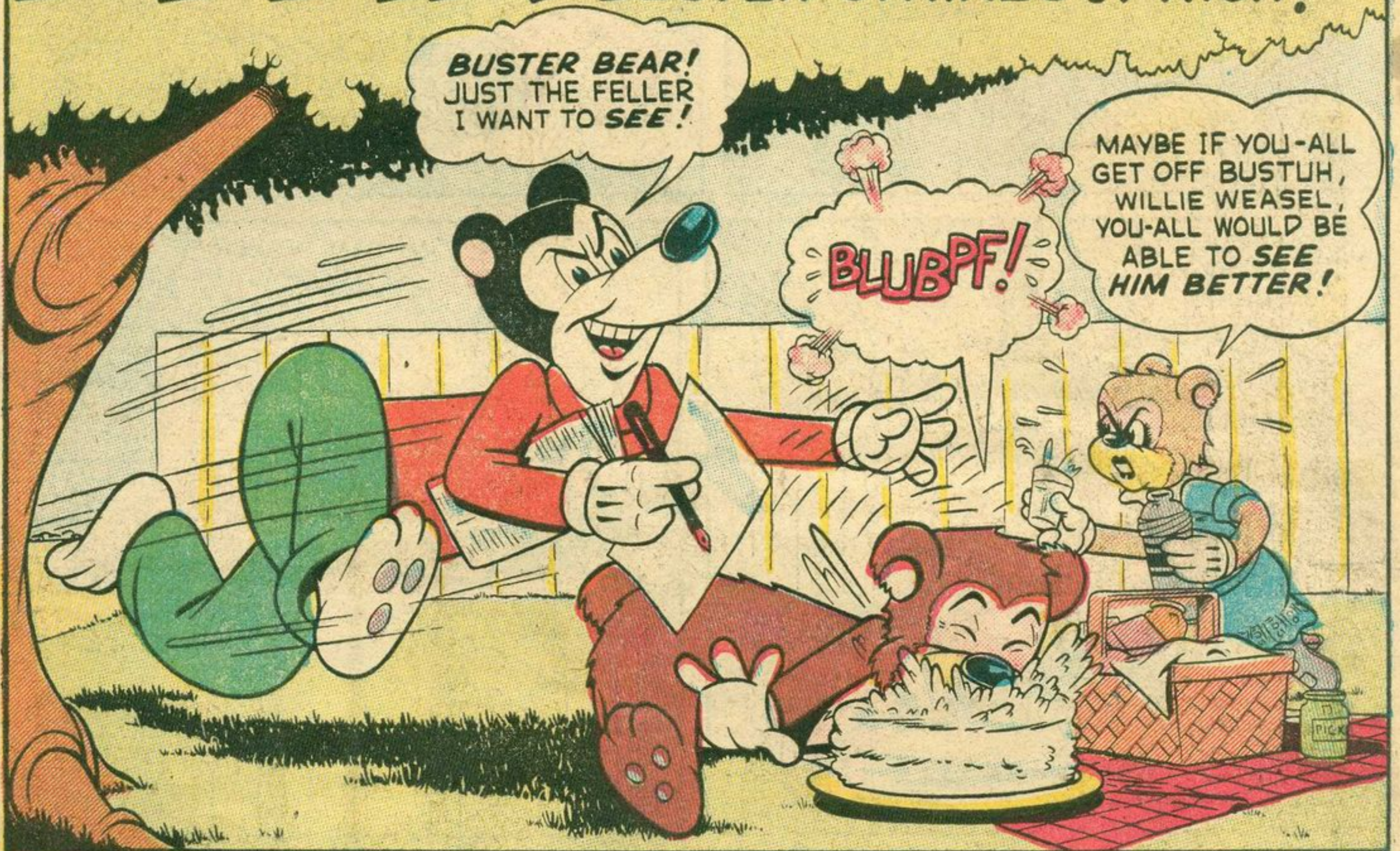
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BUSTER BEAR!
JUST THE FELLER
I WANT TO SEE!

BLUBPF!

MAYBE IF YOU-ALL
GET OFF BUSTUH,
WILLIE WEASEL,
YOU-ALL WOULD BE
ABLE TO SEE
HIM BETTER!

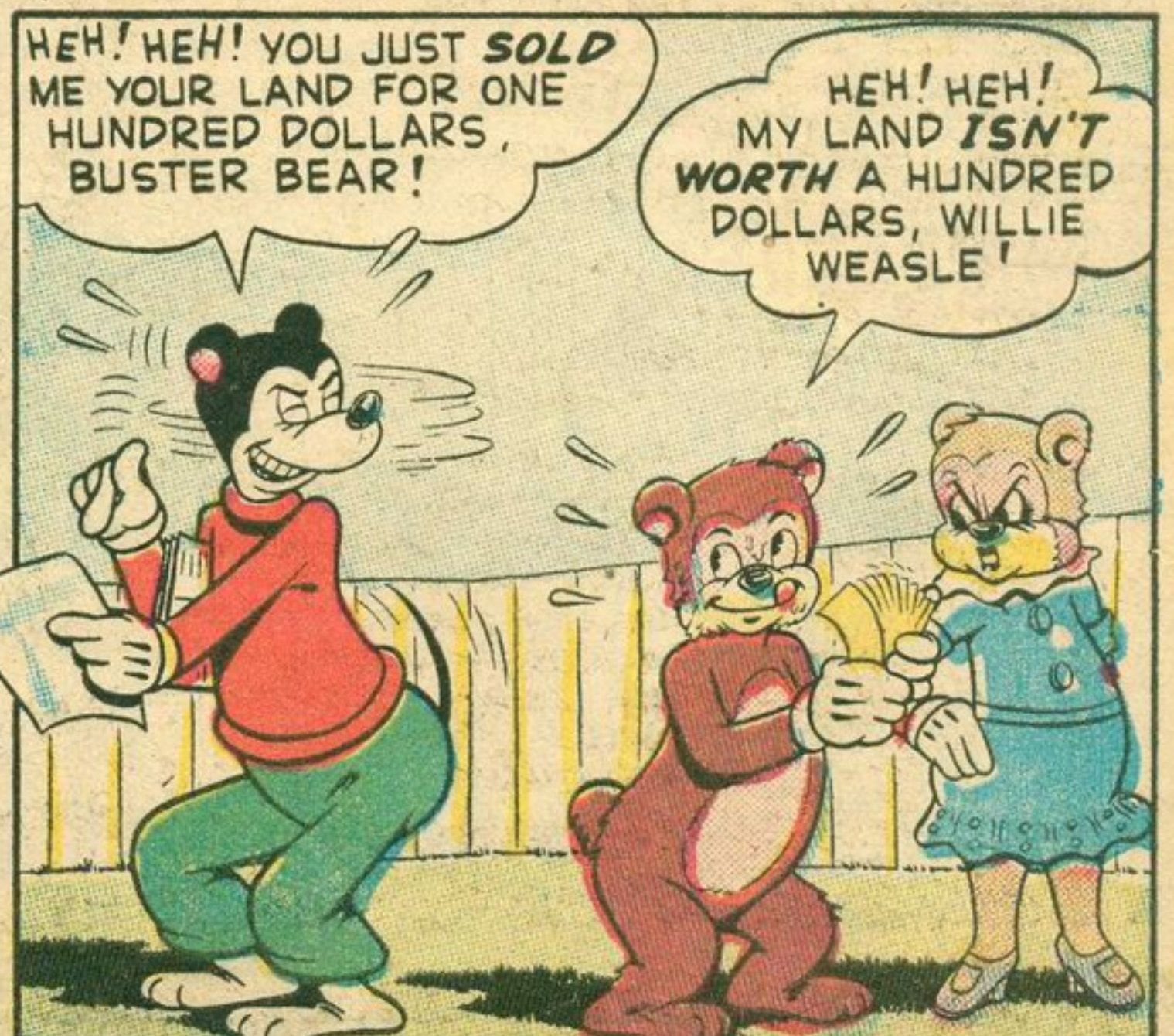
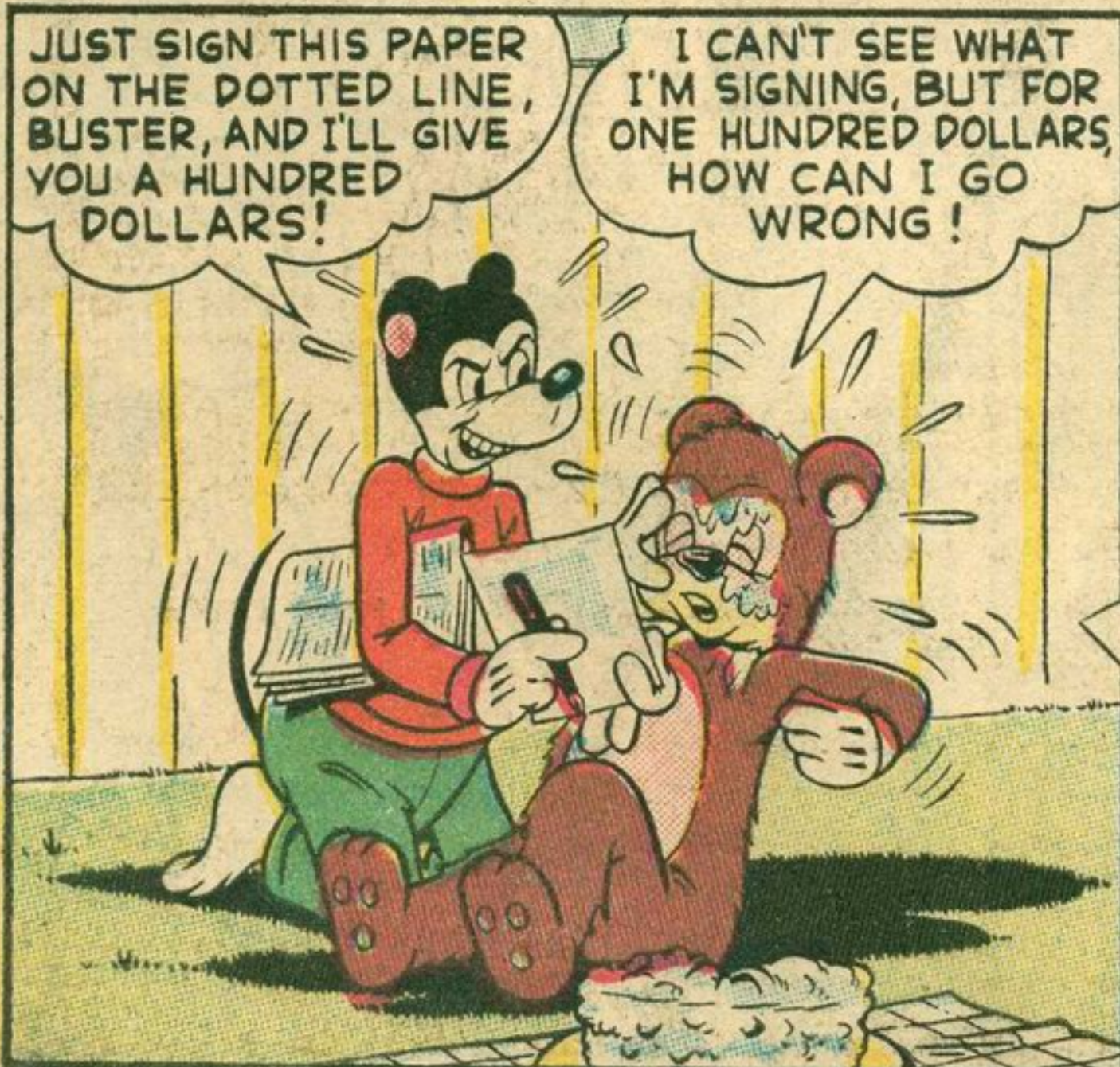


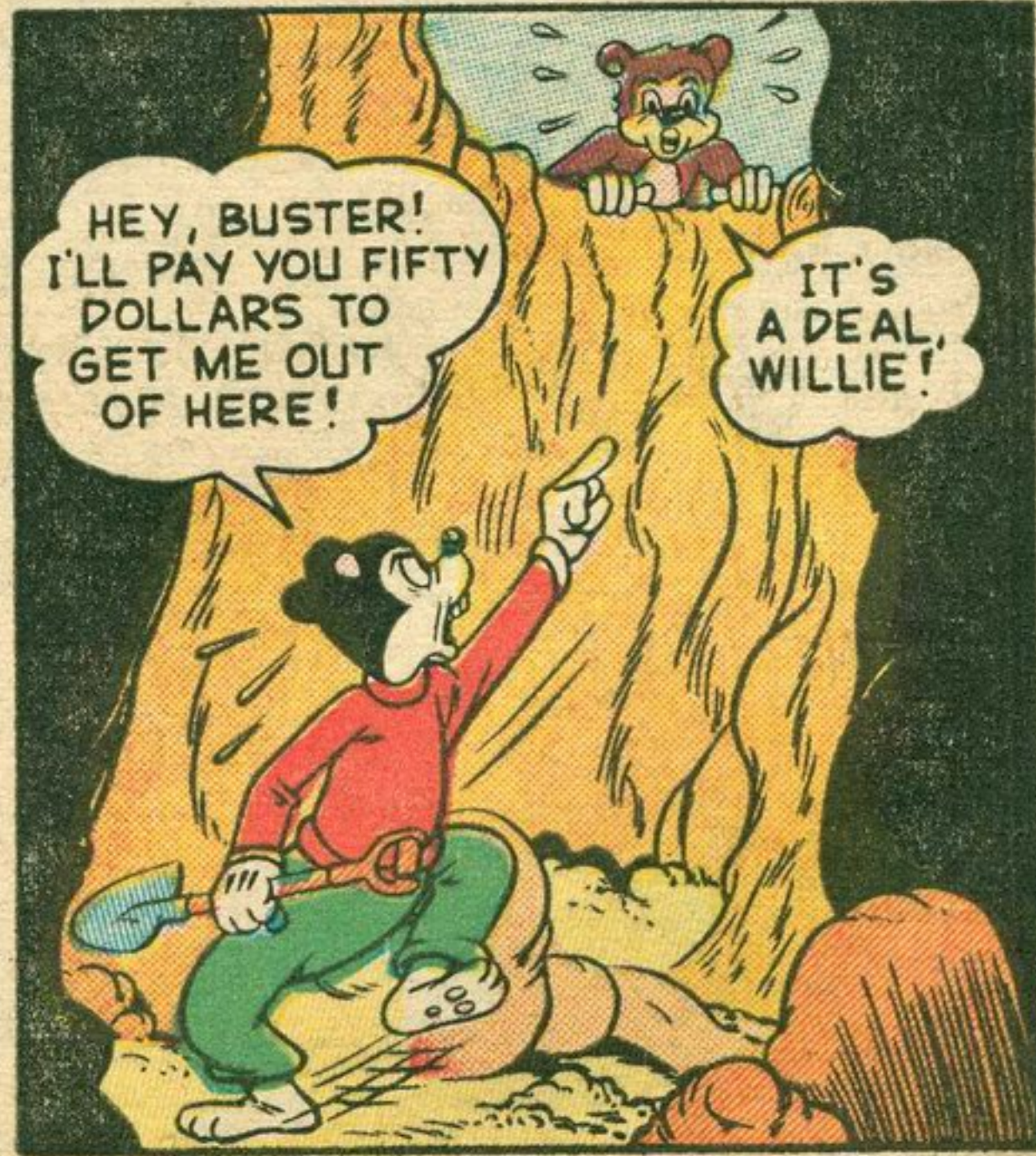
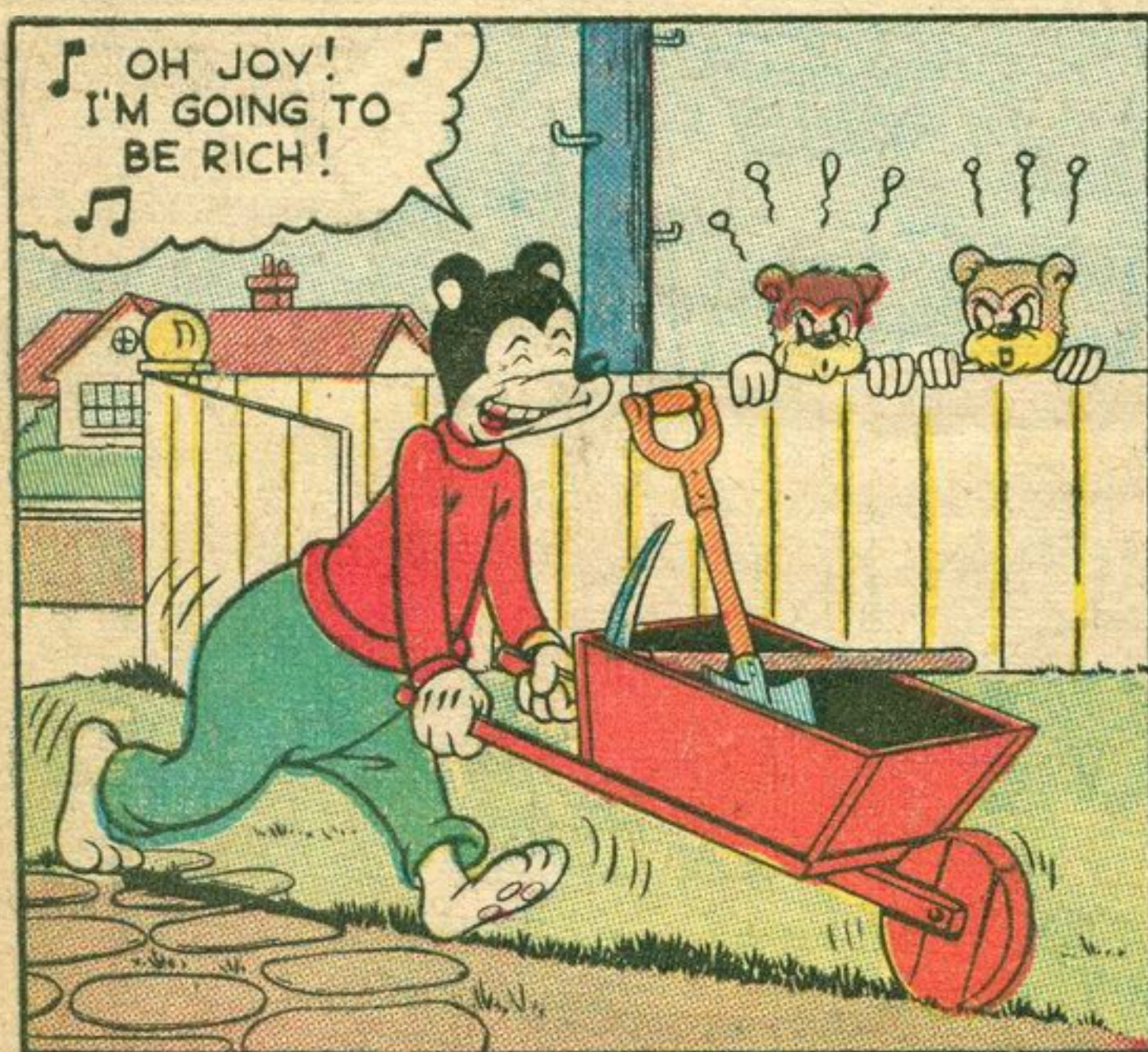
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ON THE DOTTED LINE,
BUSTER, AND I'LL GIVE
YOU A HUNDRED
DOLLARS!

I CAN'T SEE WHAT
I'M SIGNING, BUT FOR
ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS,
HOW CAN I GO
WRONG!

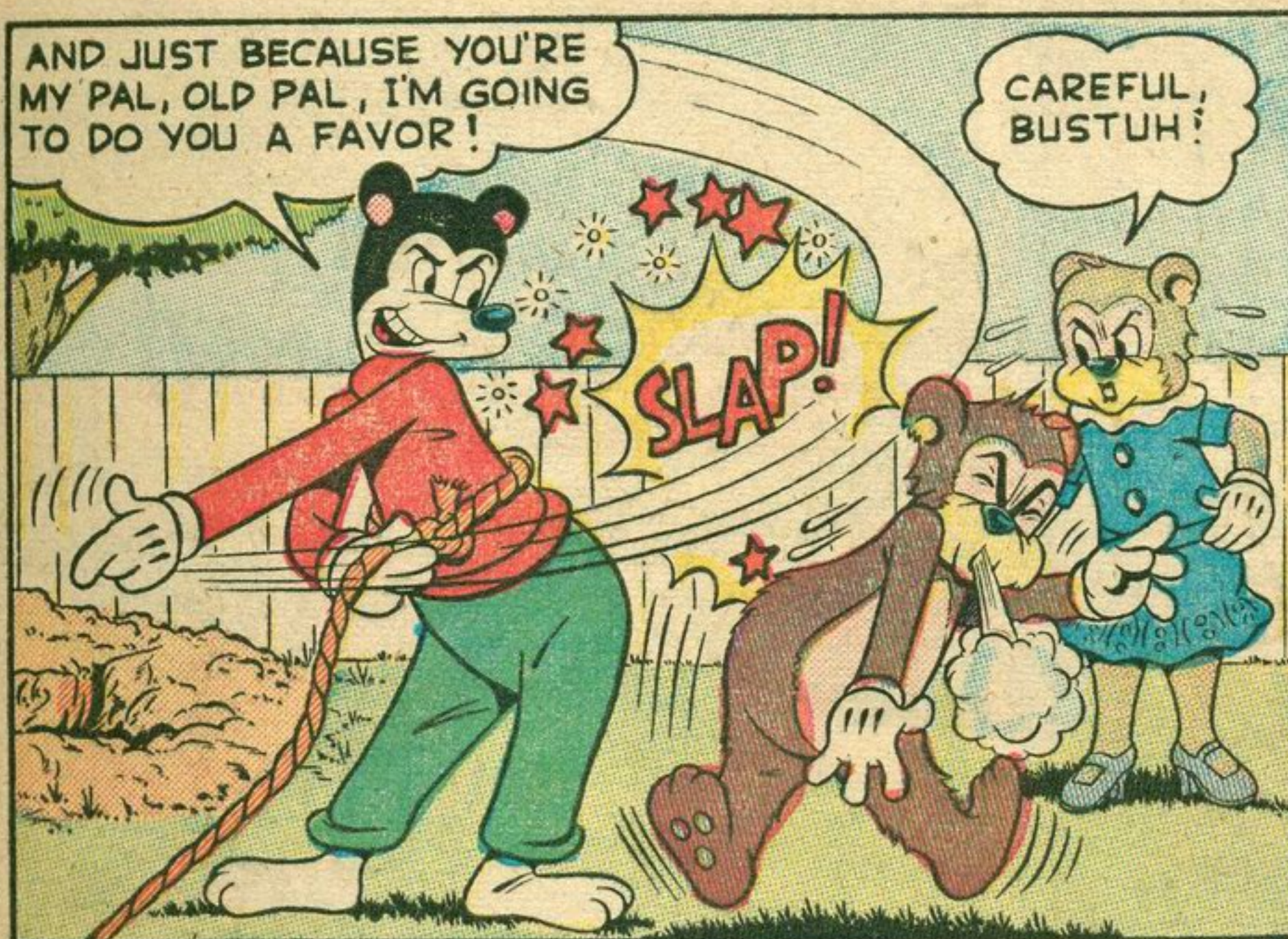
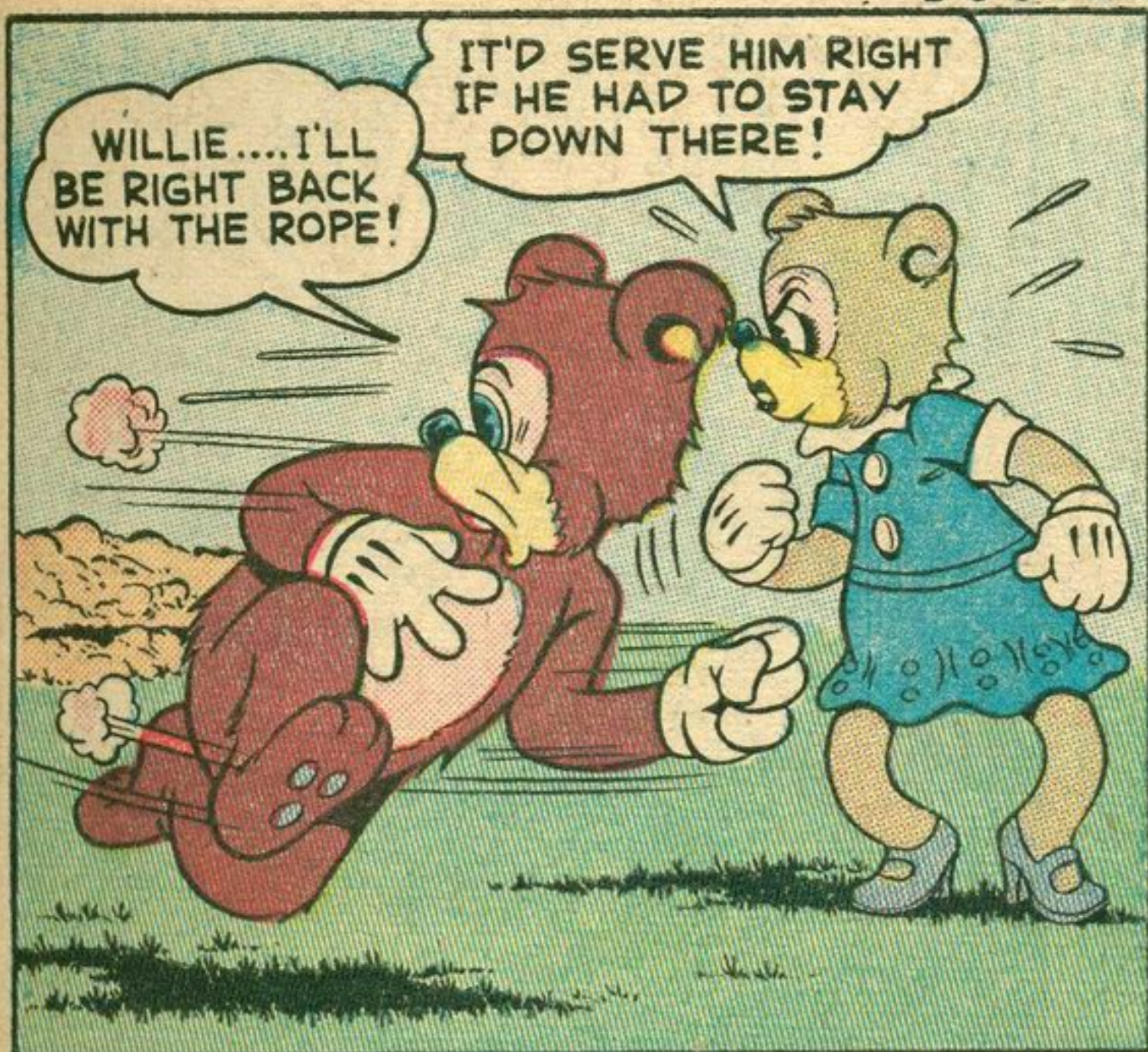
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ME YOUR LAND FOR ONE
HUNDRED DOLLARS,
BUSTER BEAR!

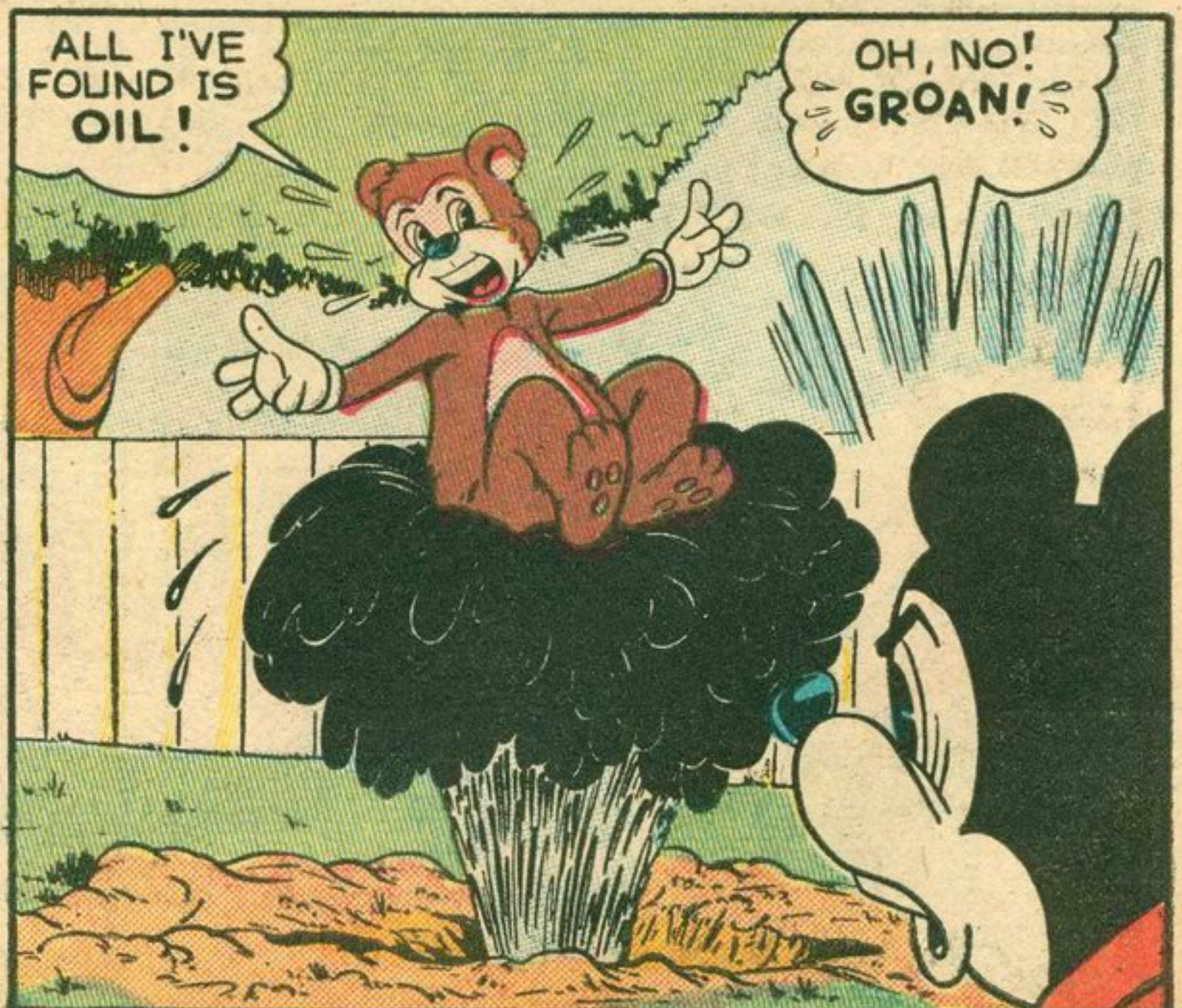
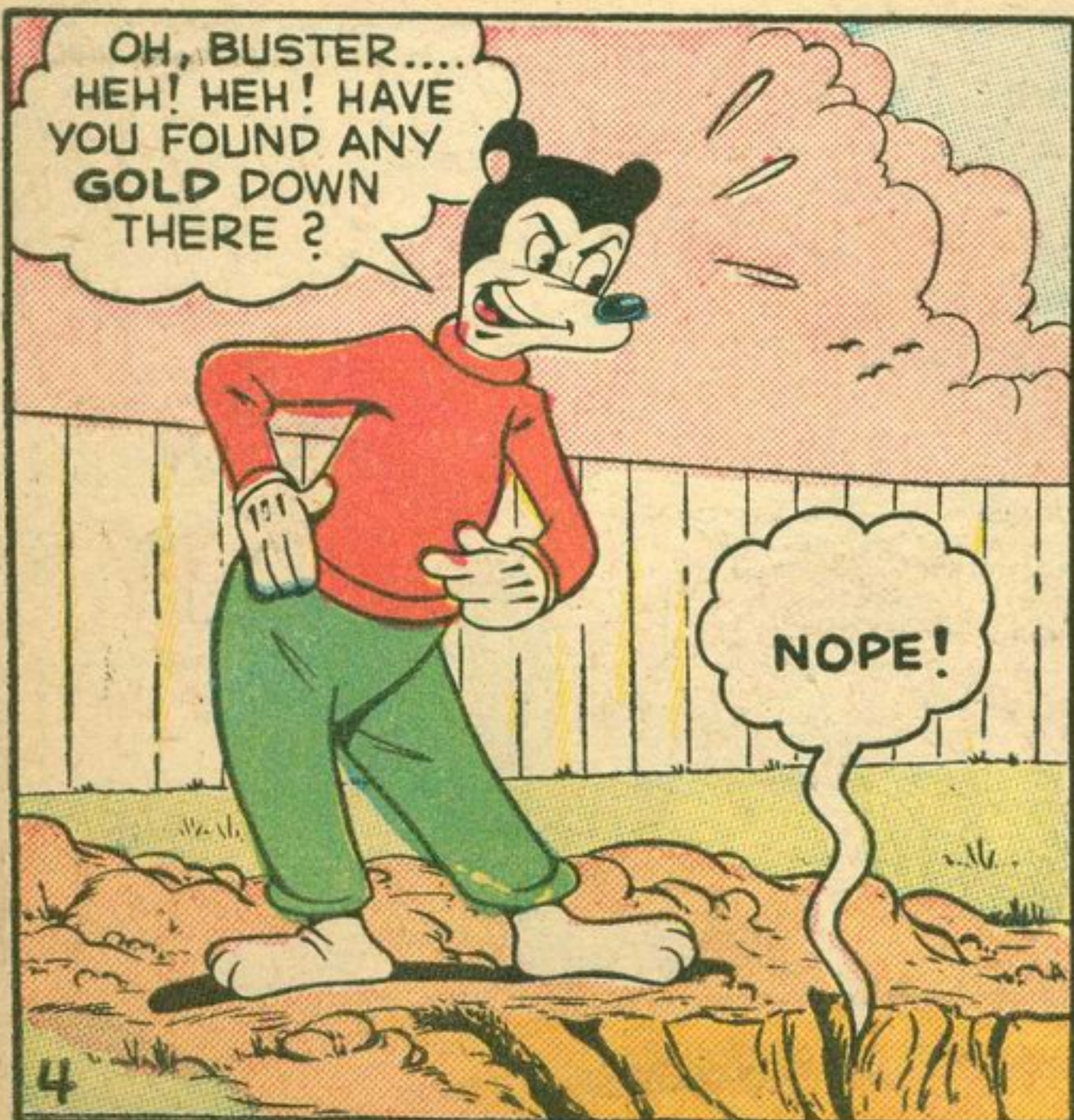
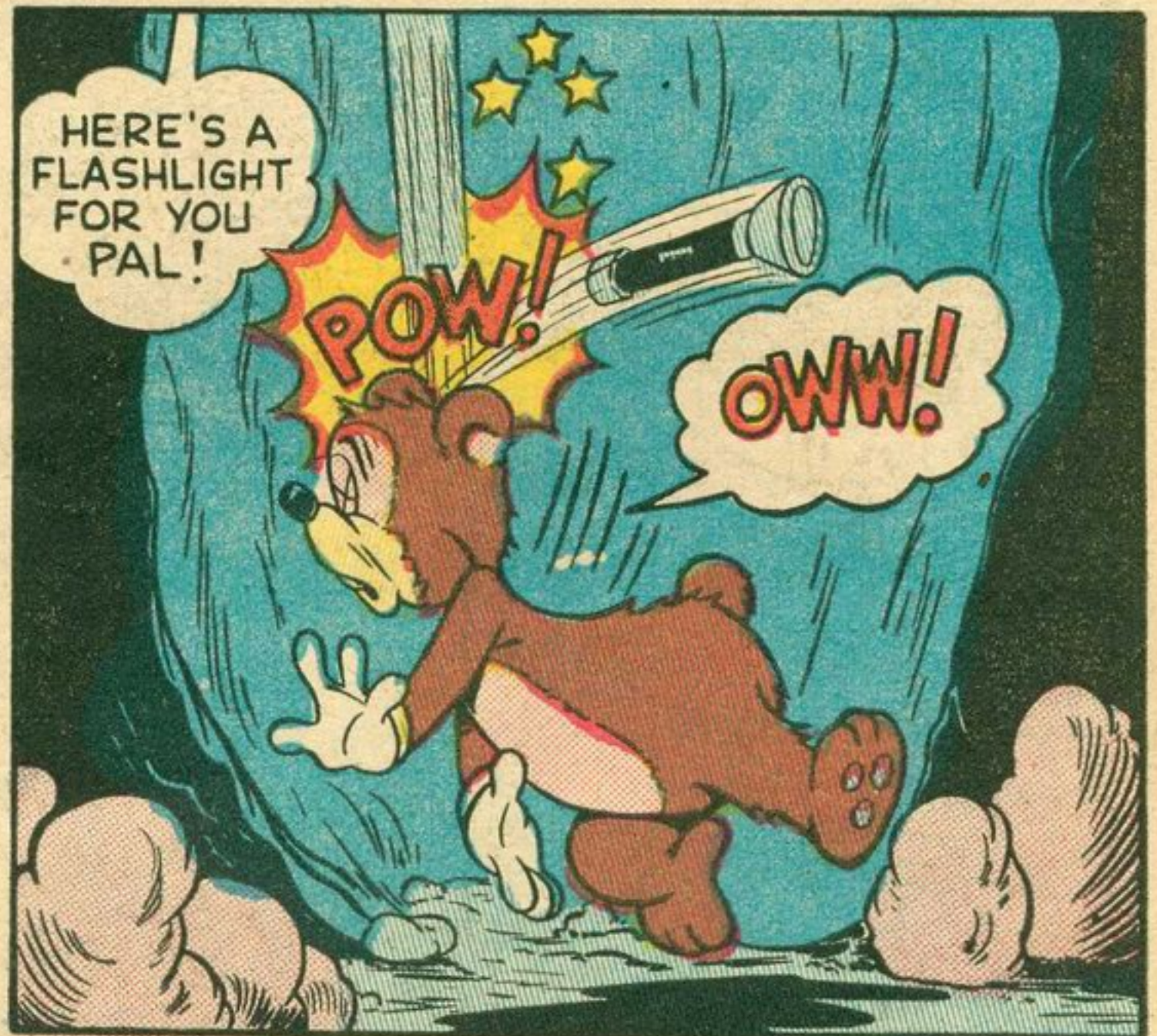
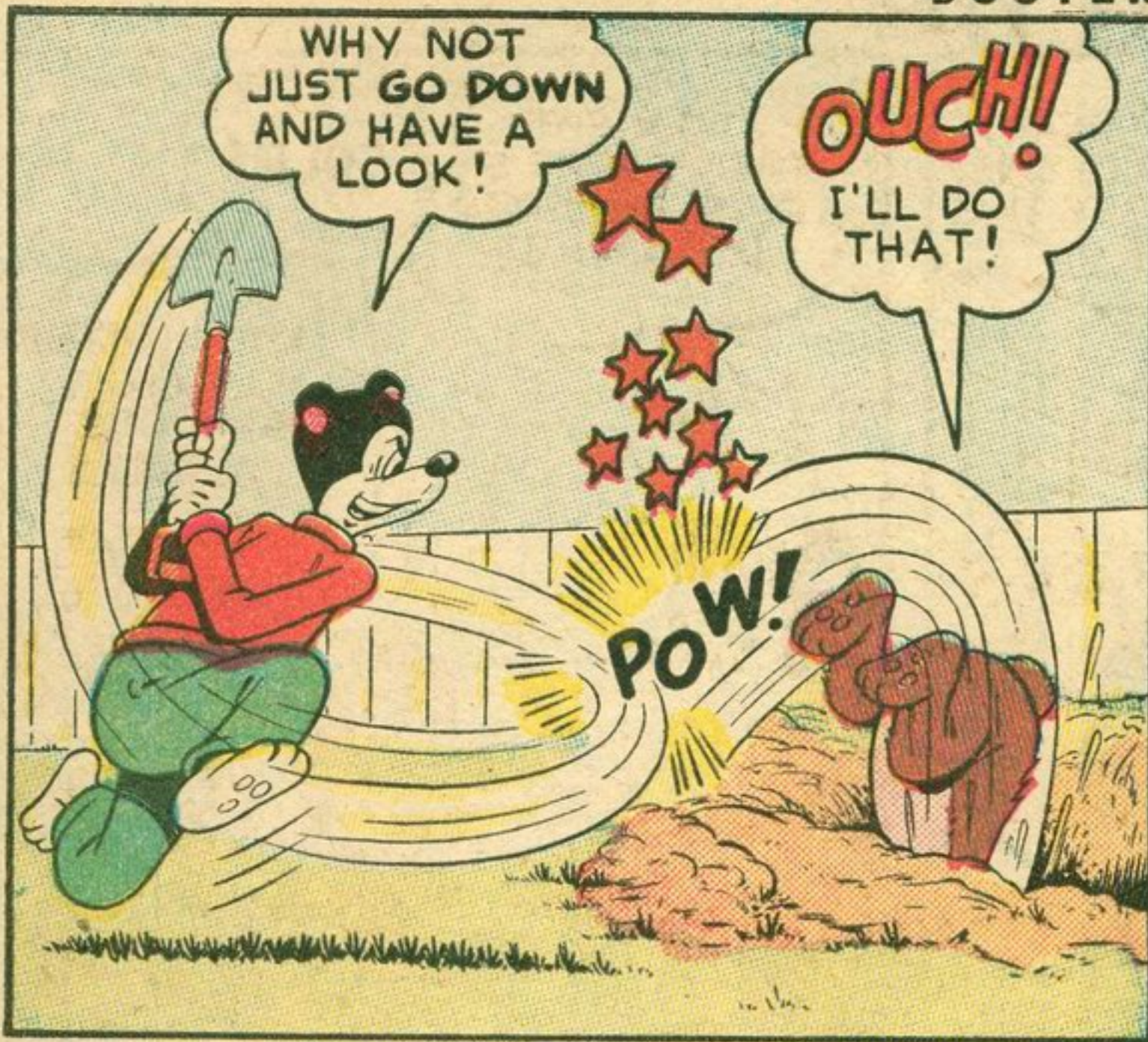
HEH! HEH!
MY LAND **ISN'T**
WORTH A HUNDRED
DOLLARS, WILLIE
WEASEL!



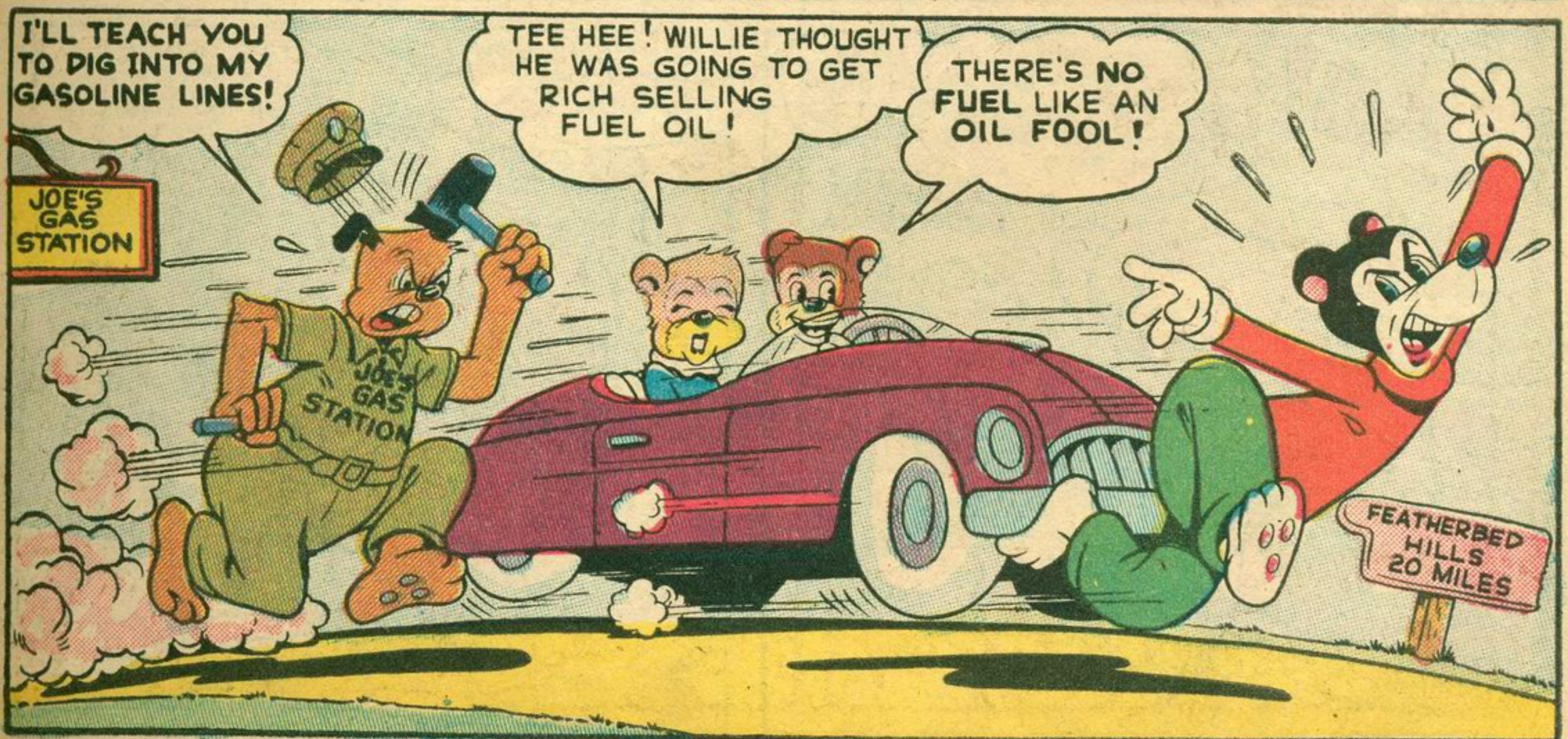
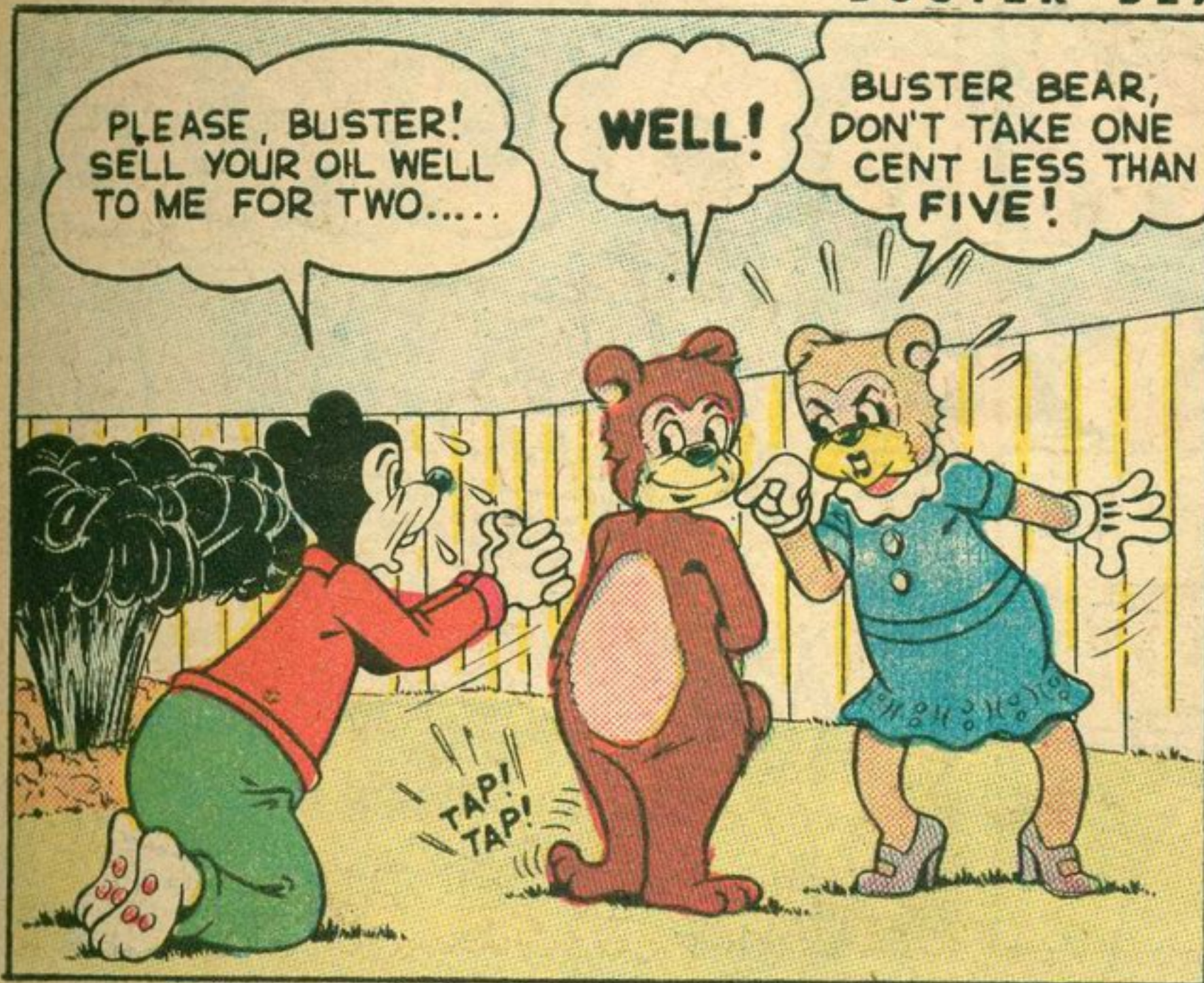


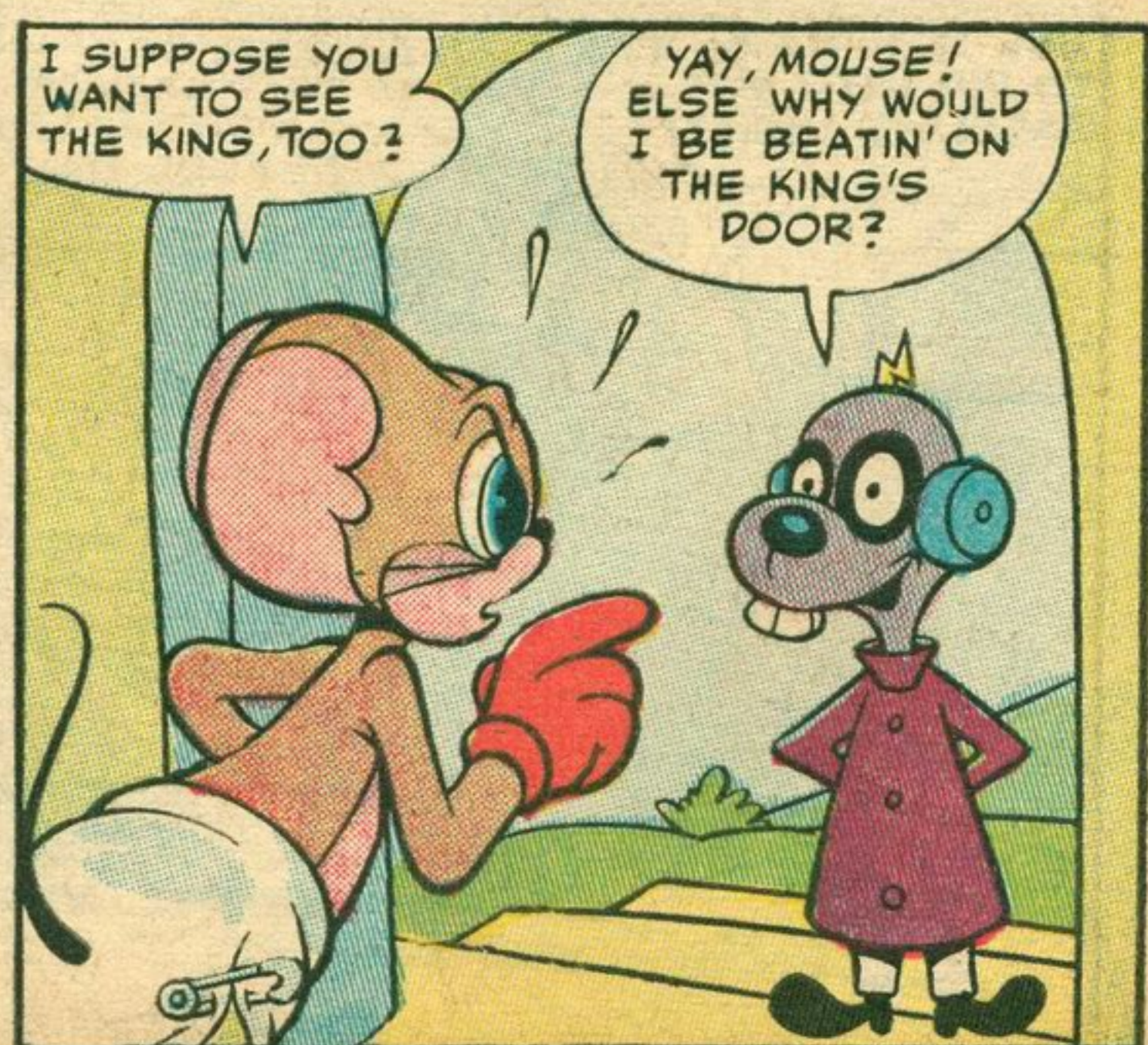
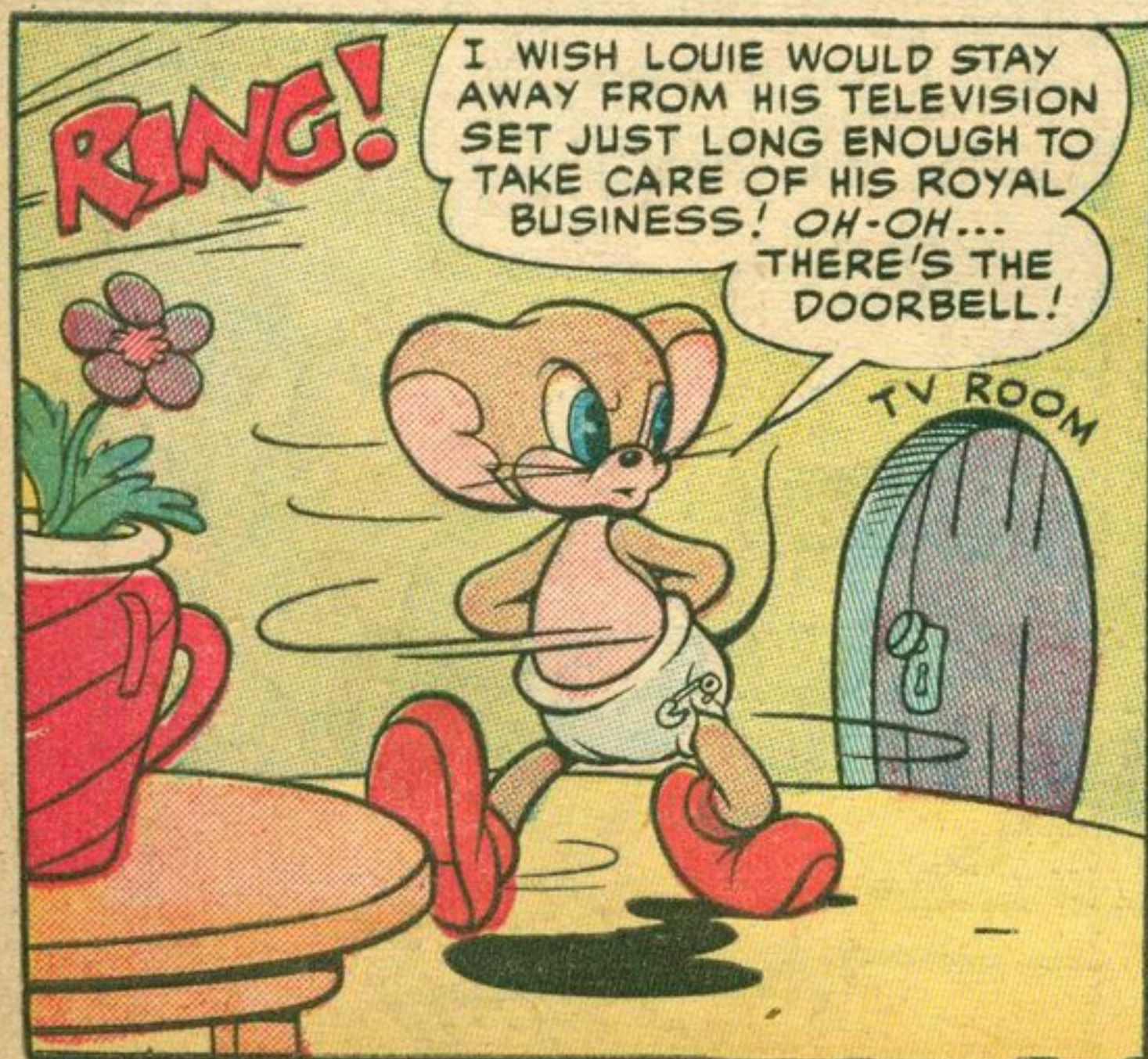
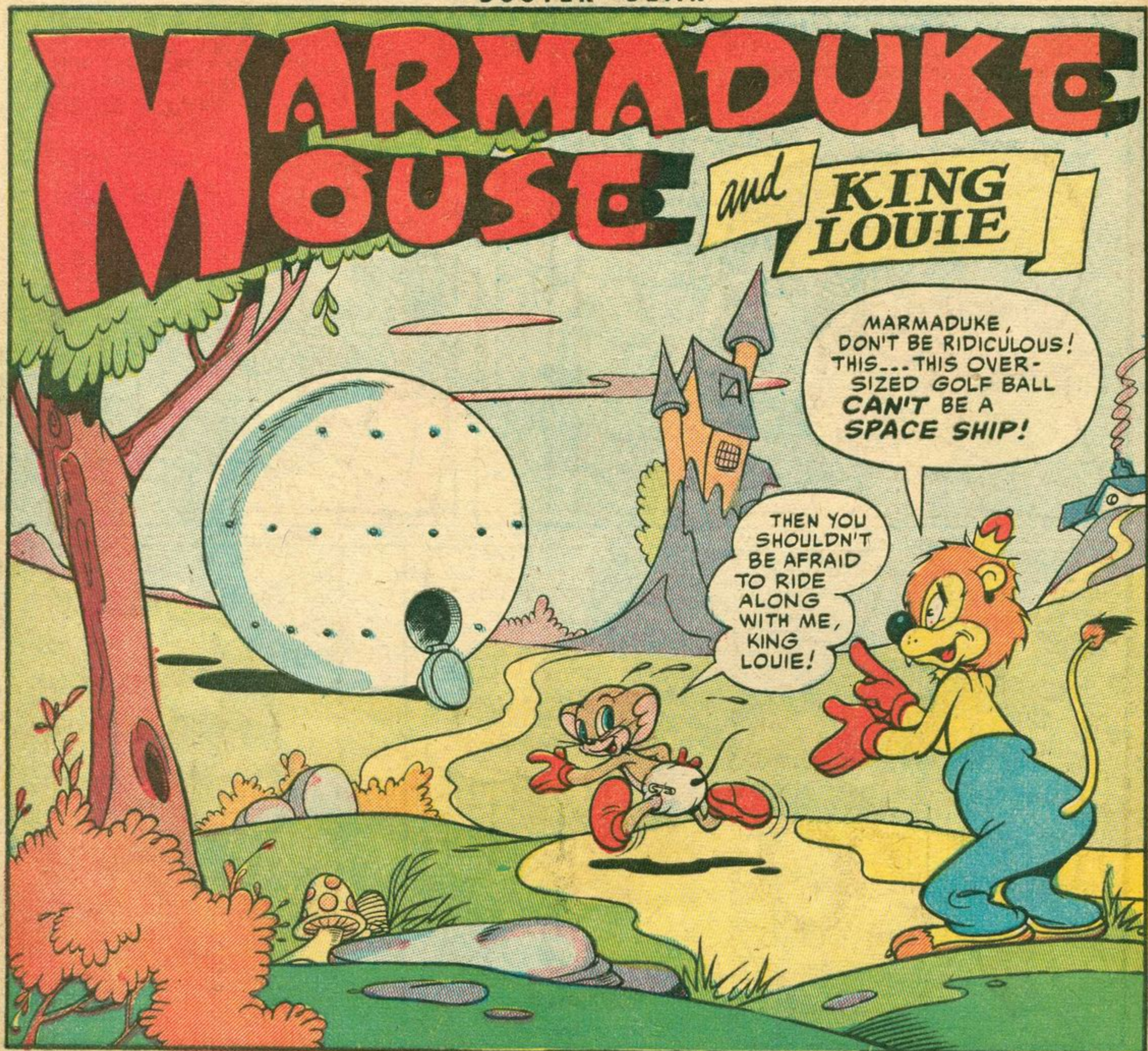
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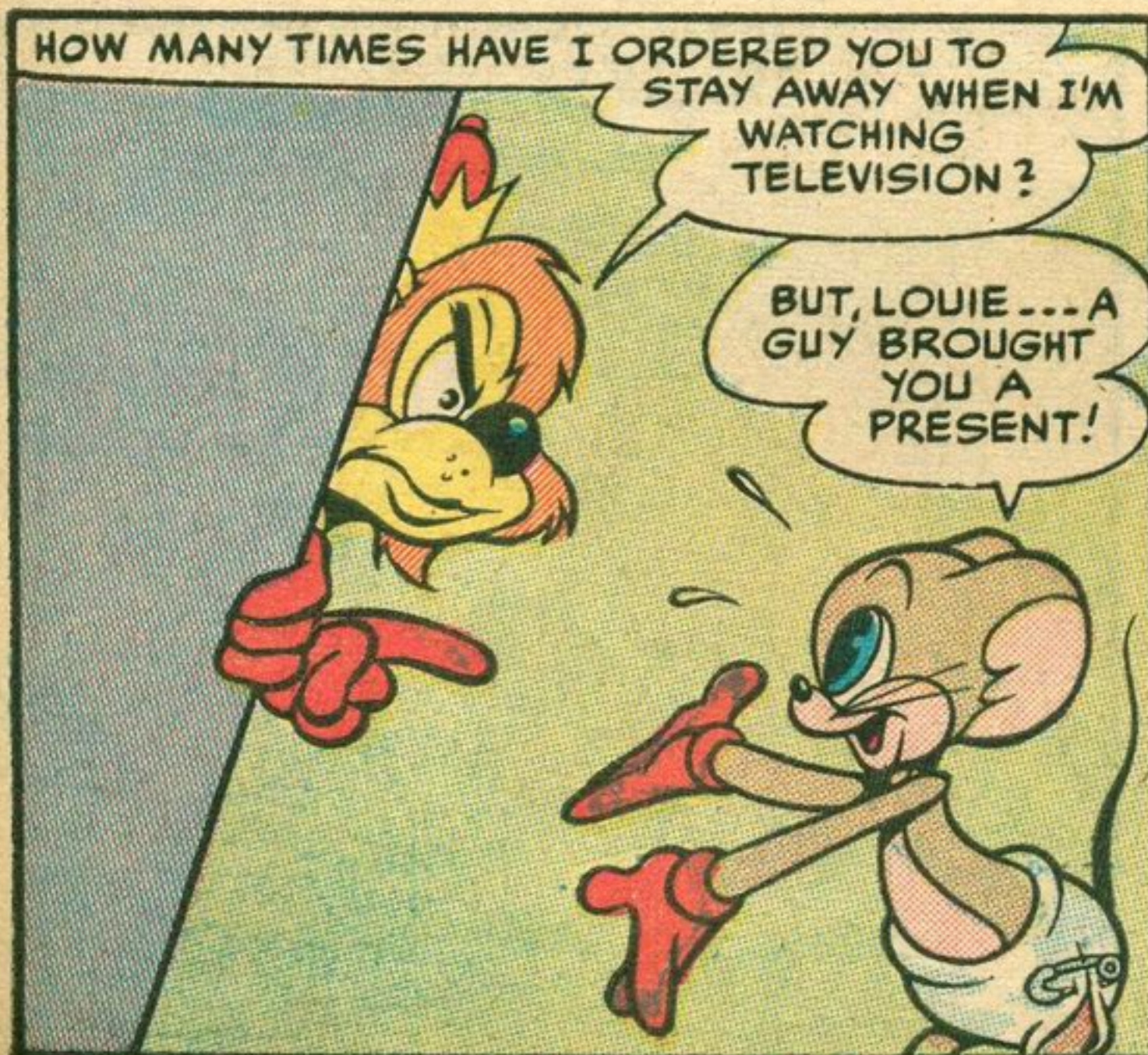
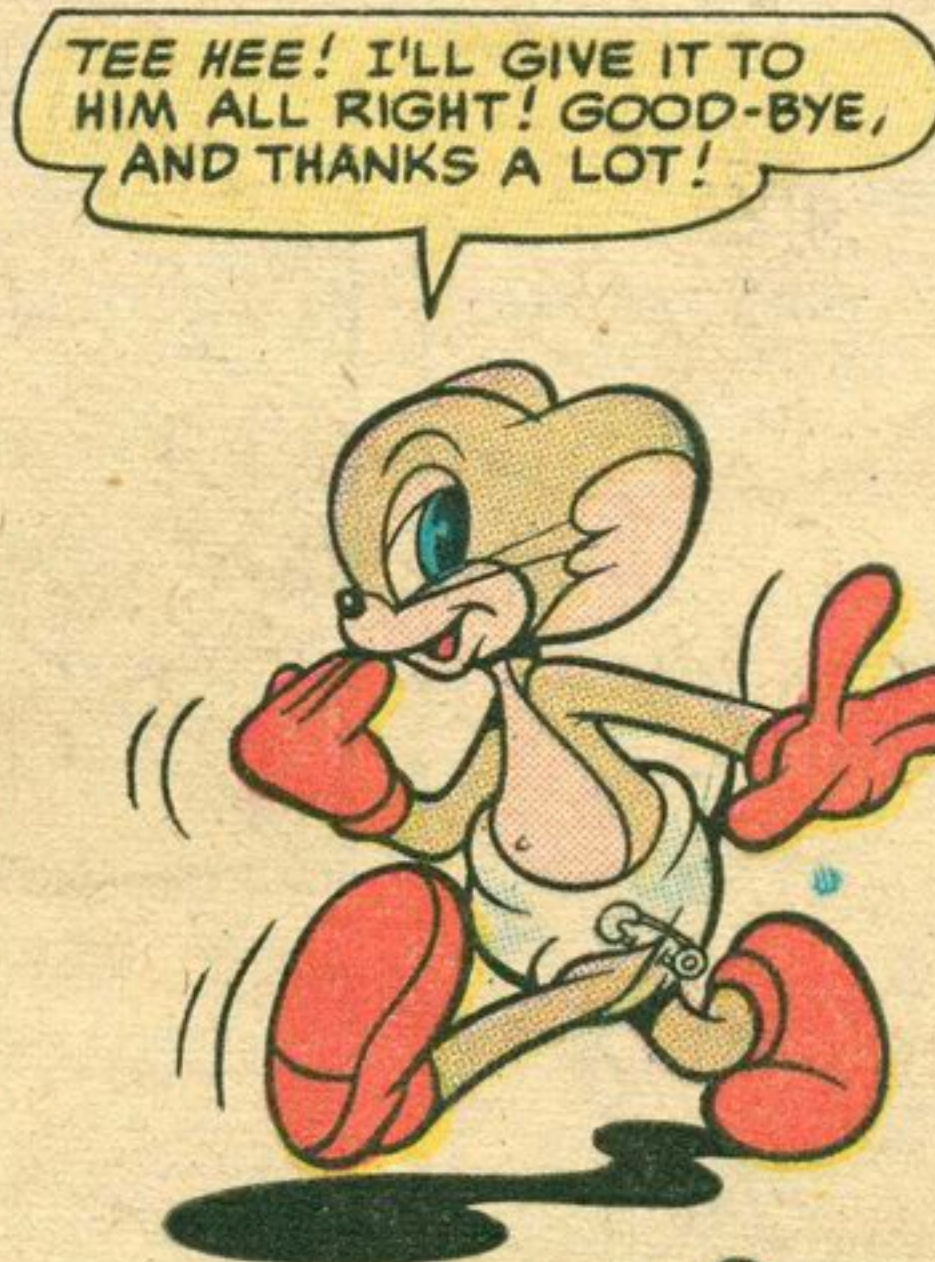
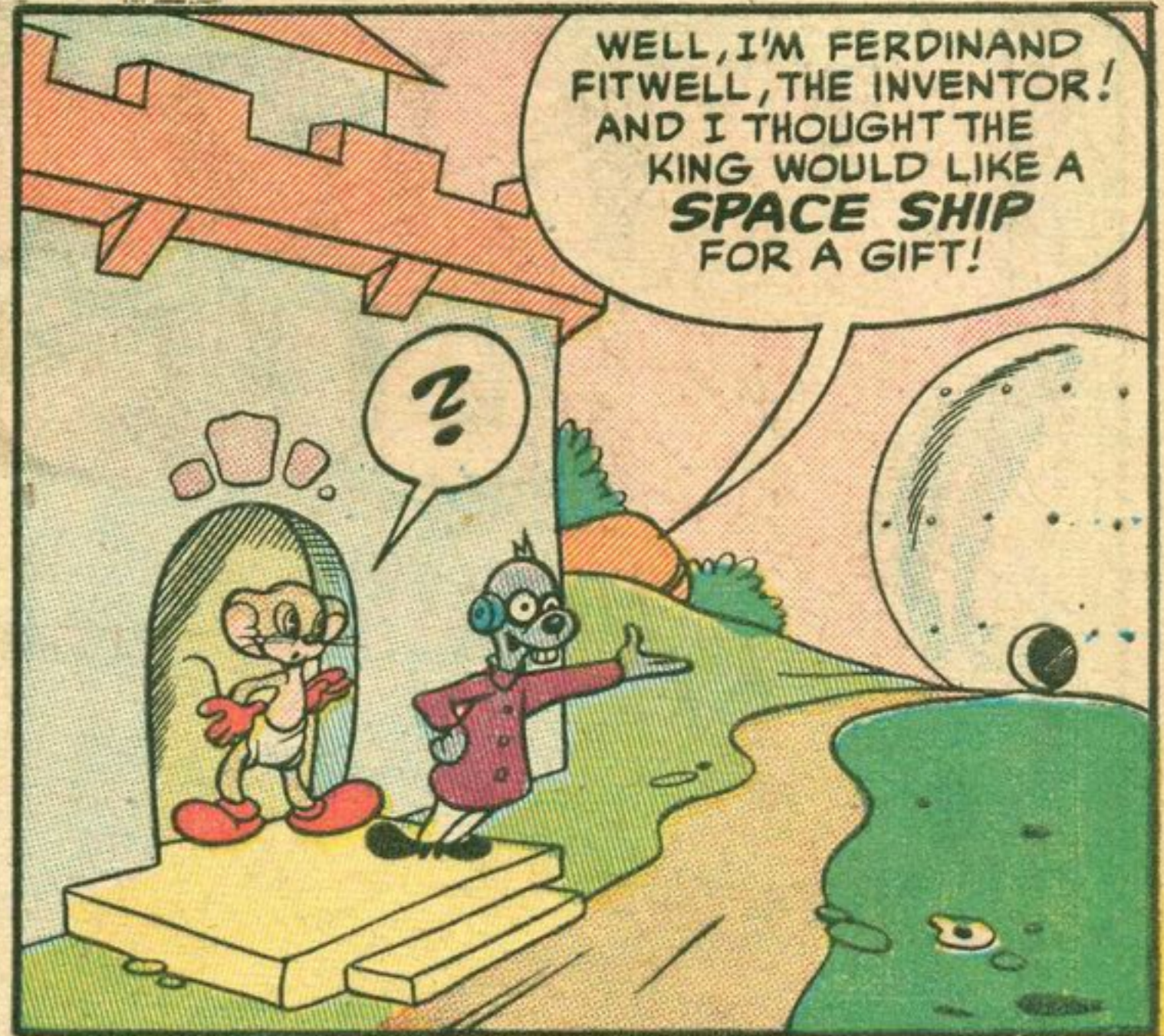




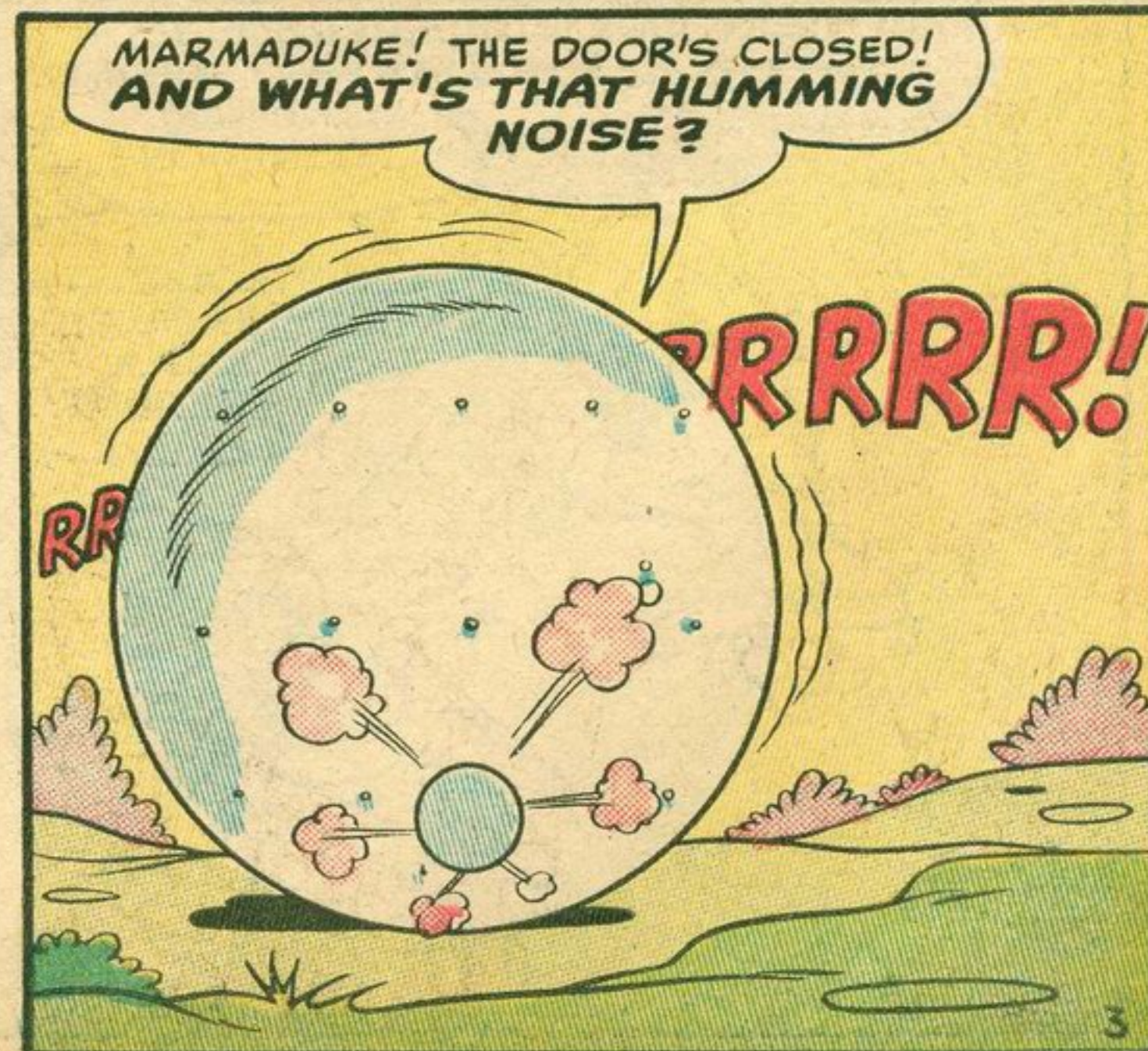
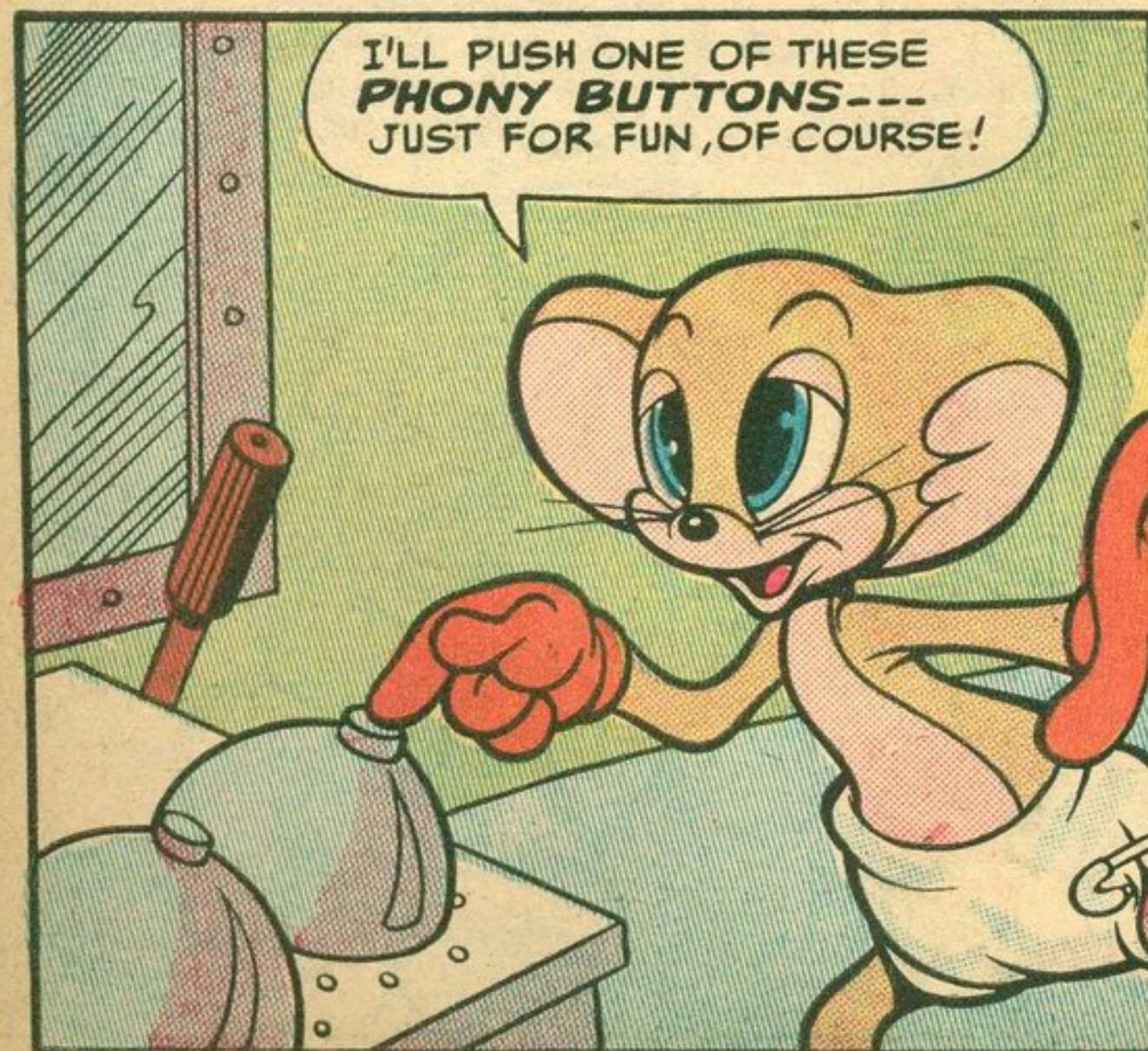
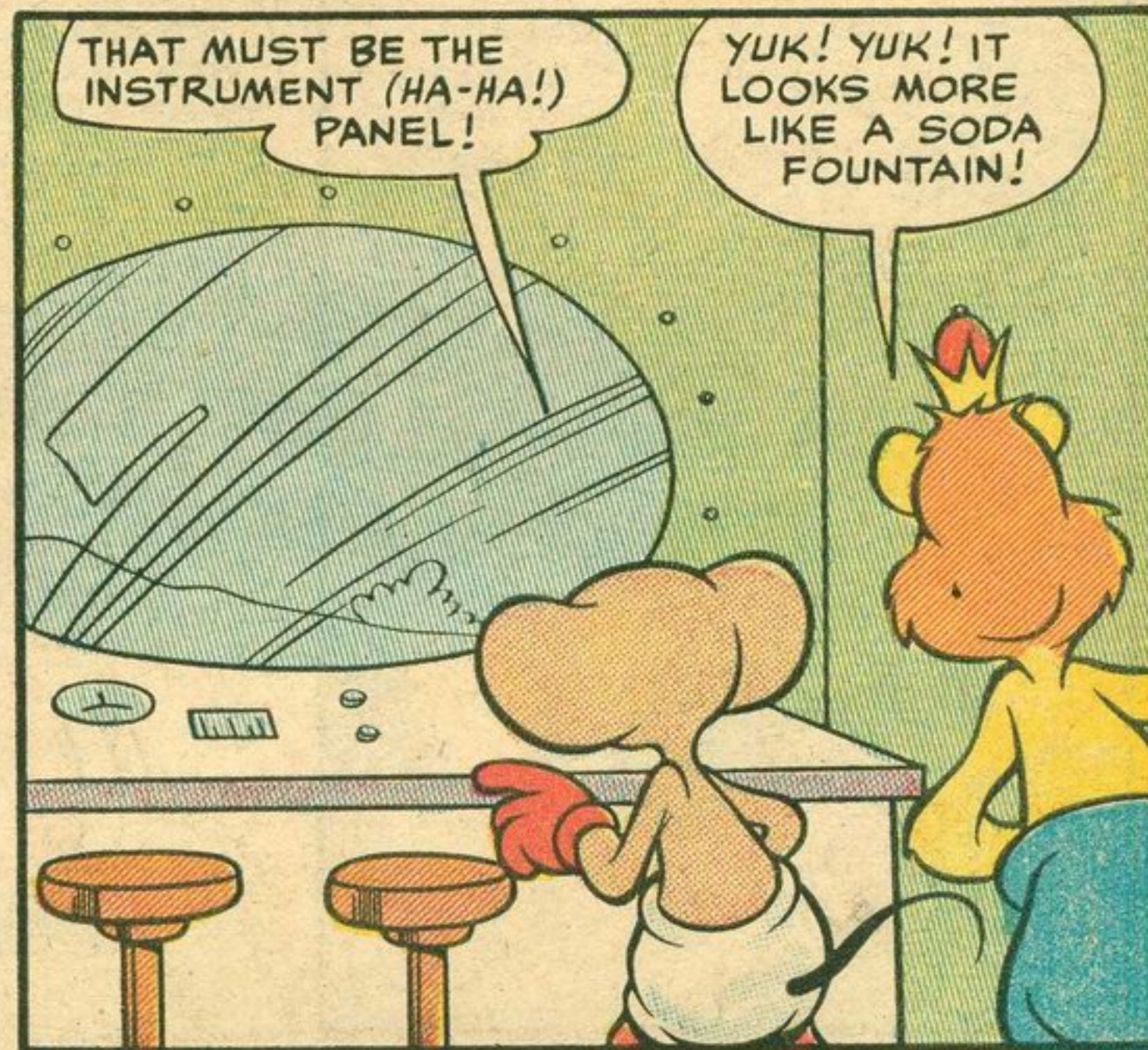
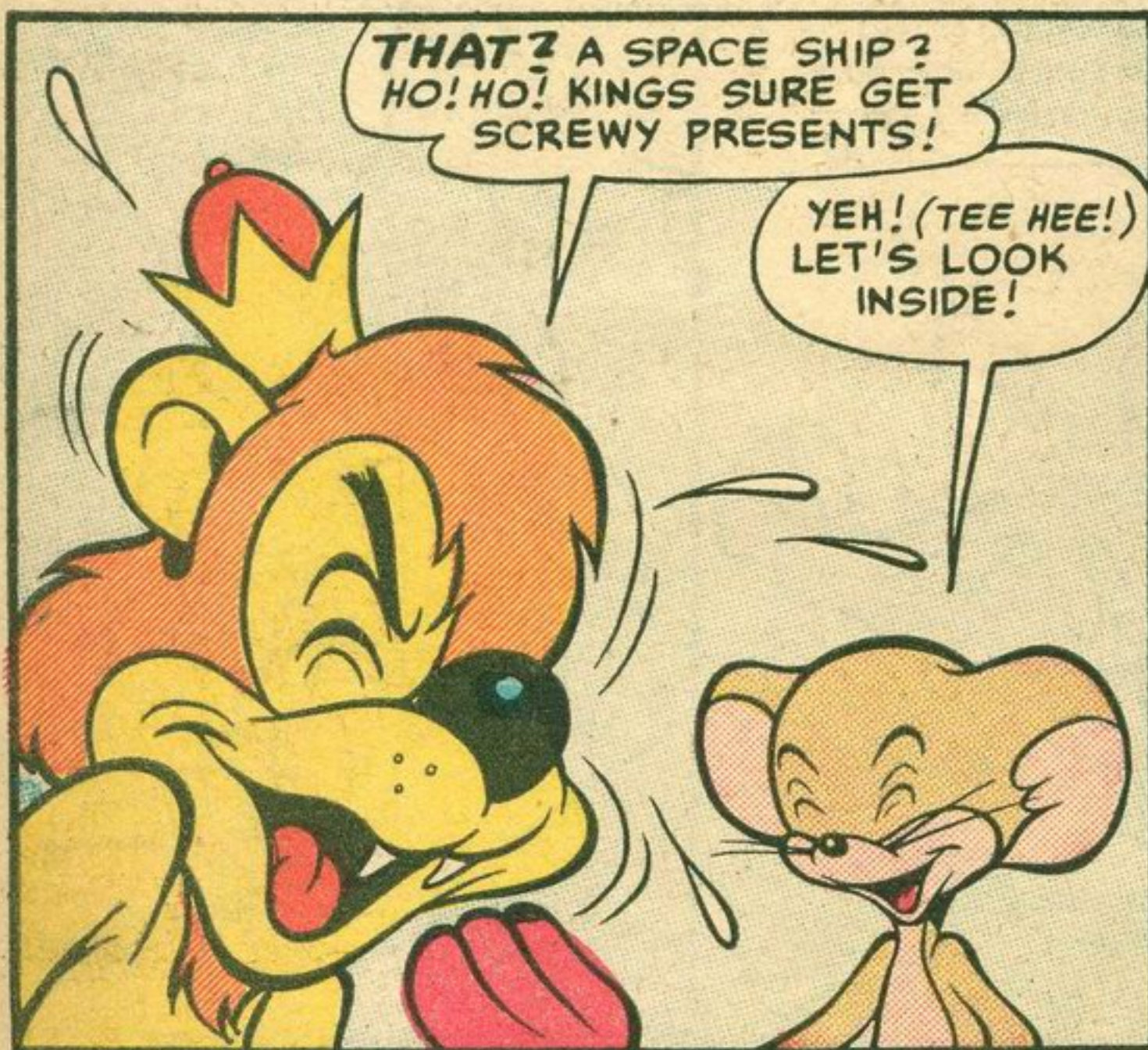
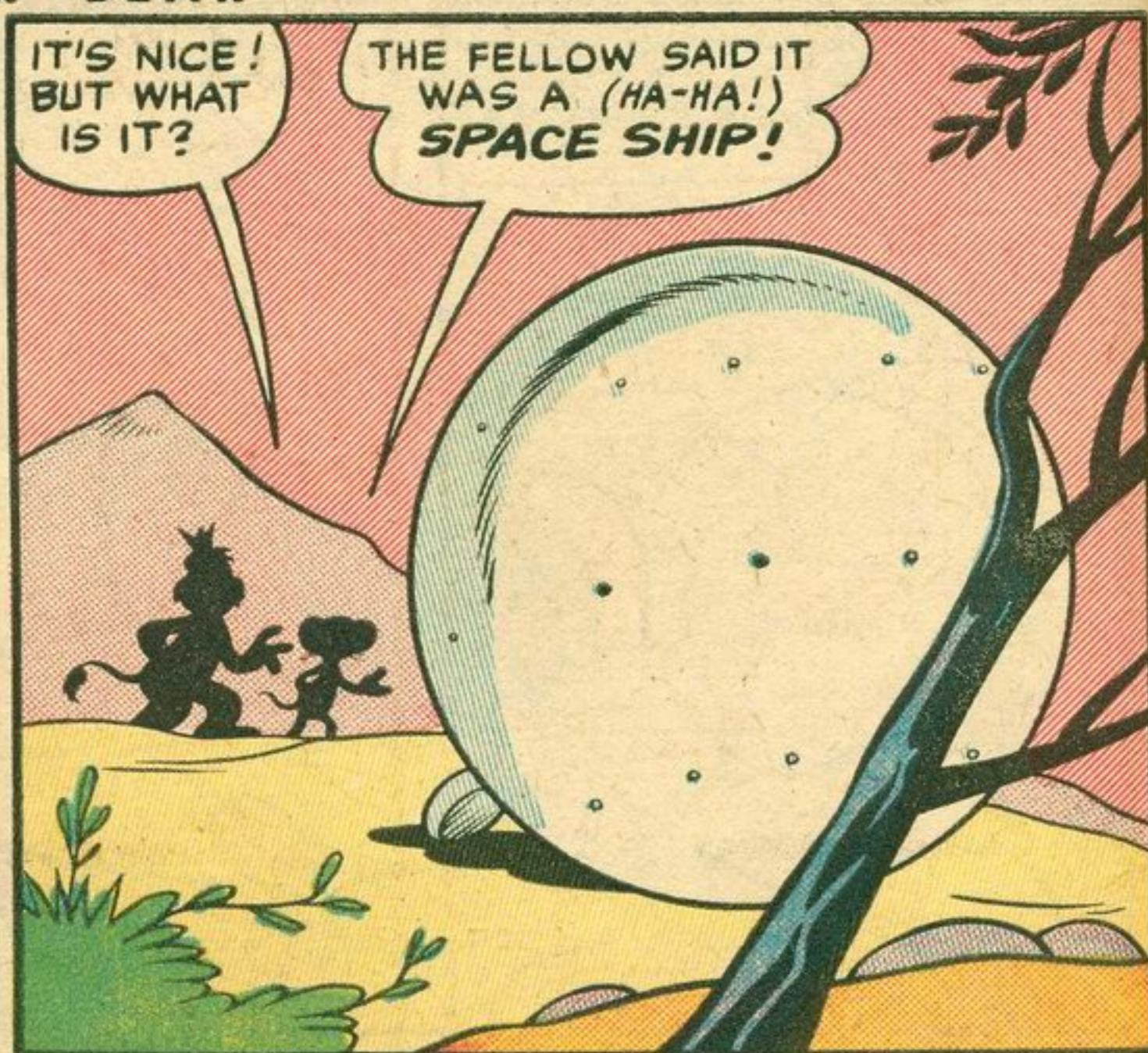
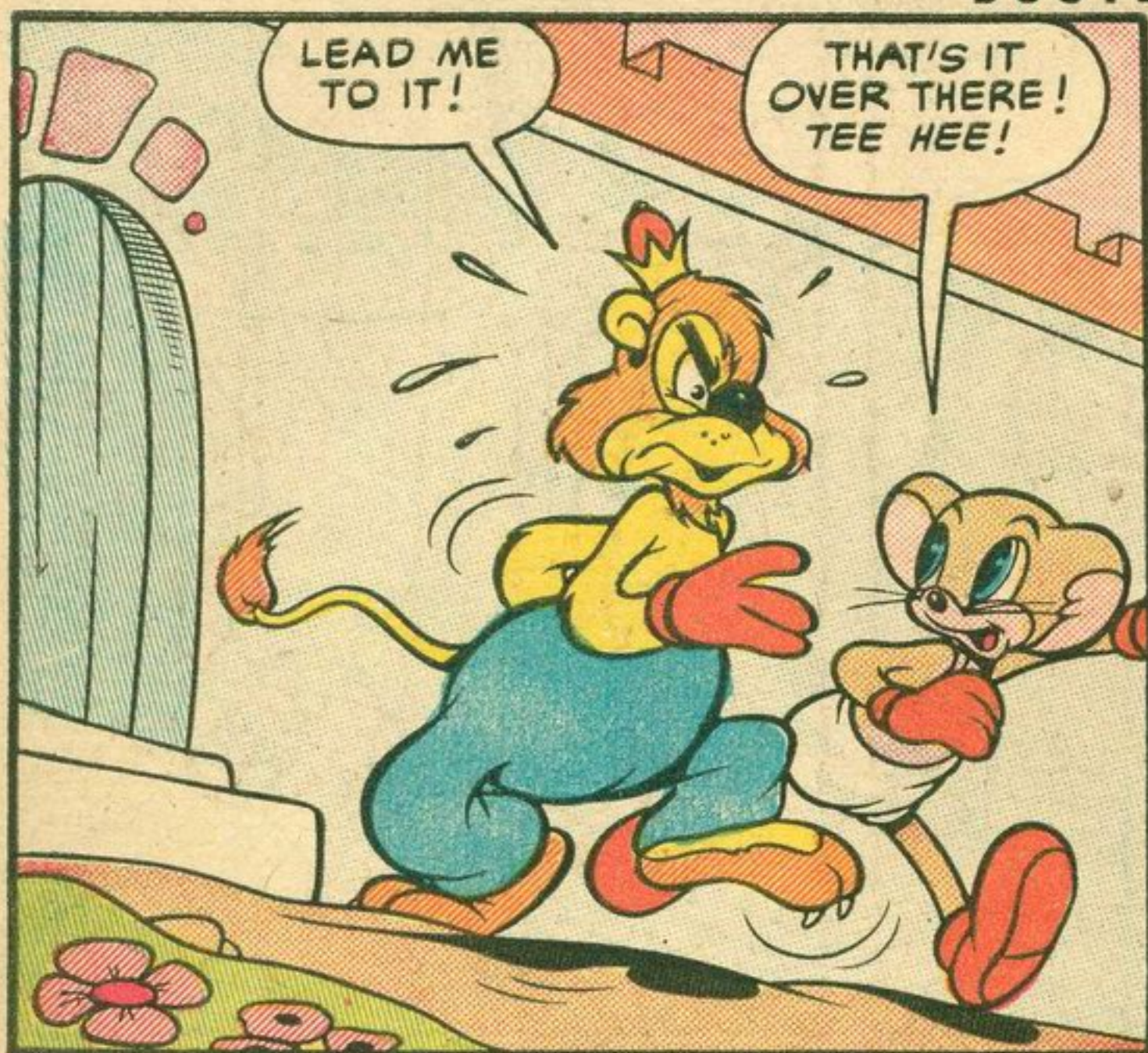
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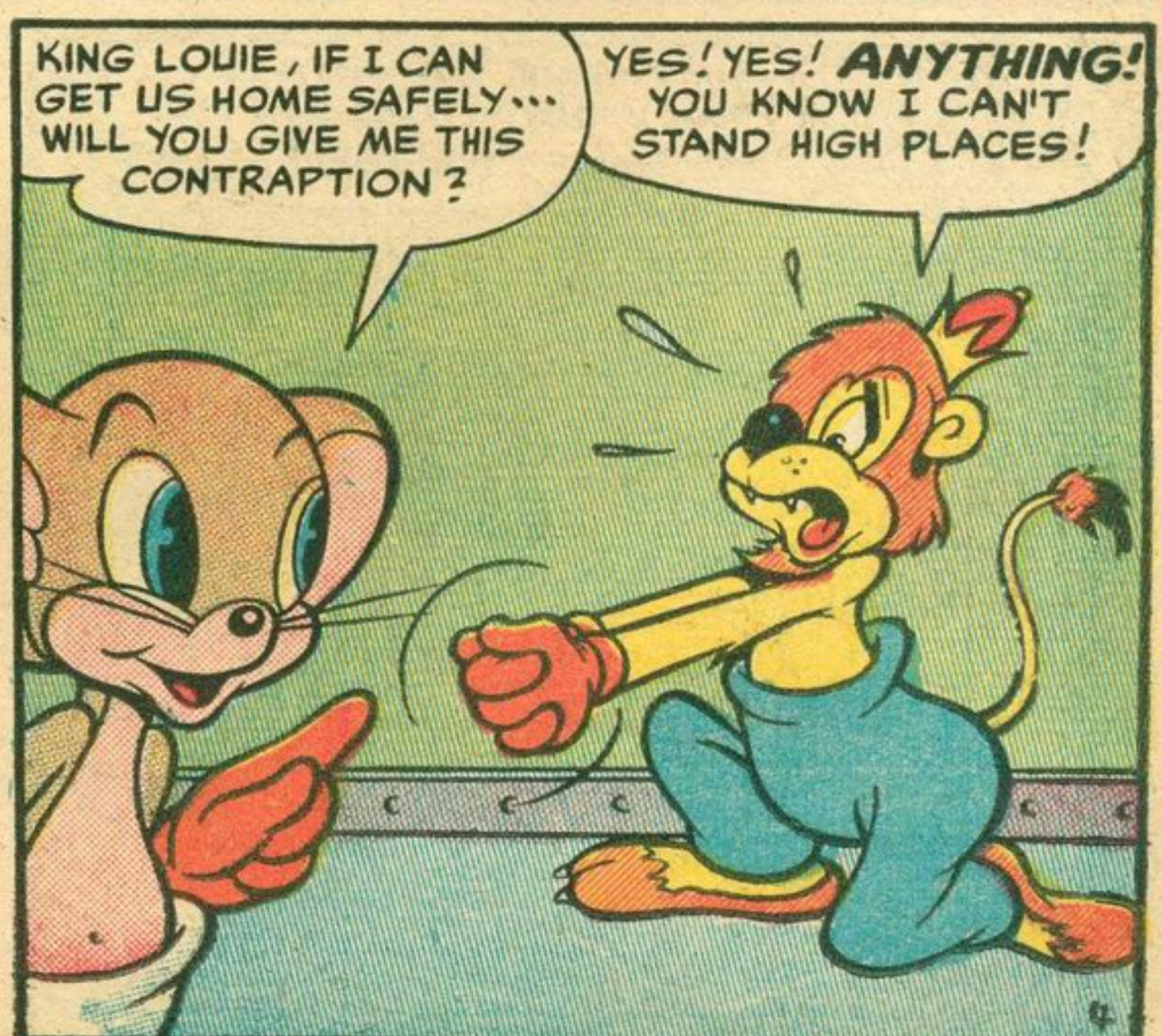
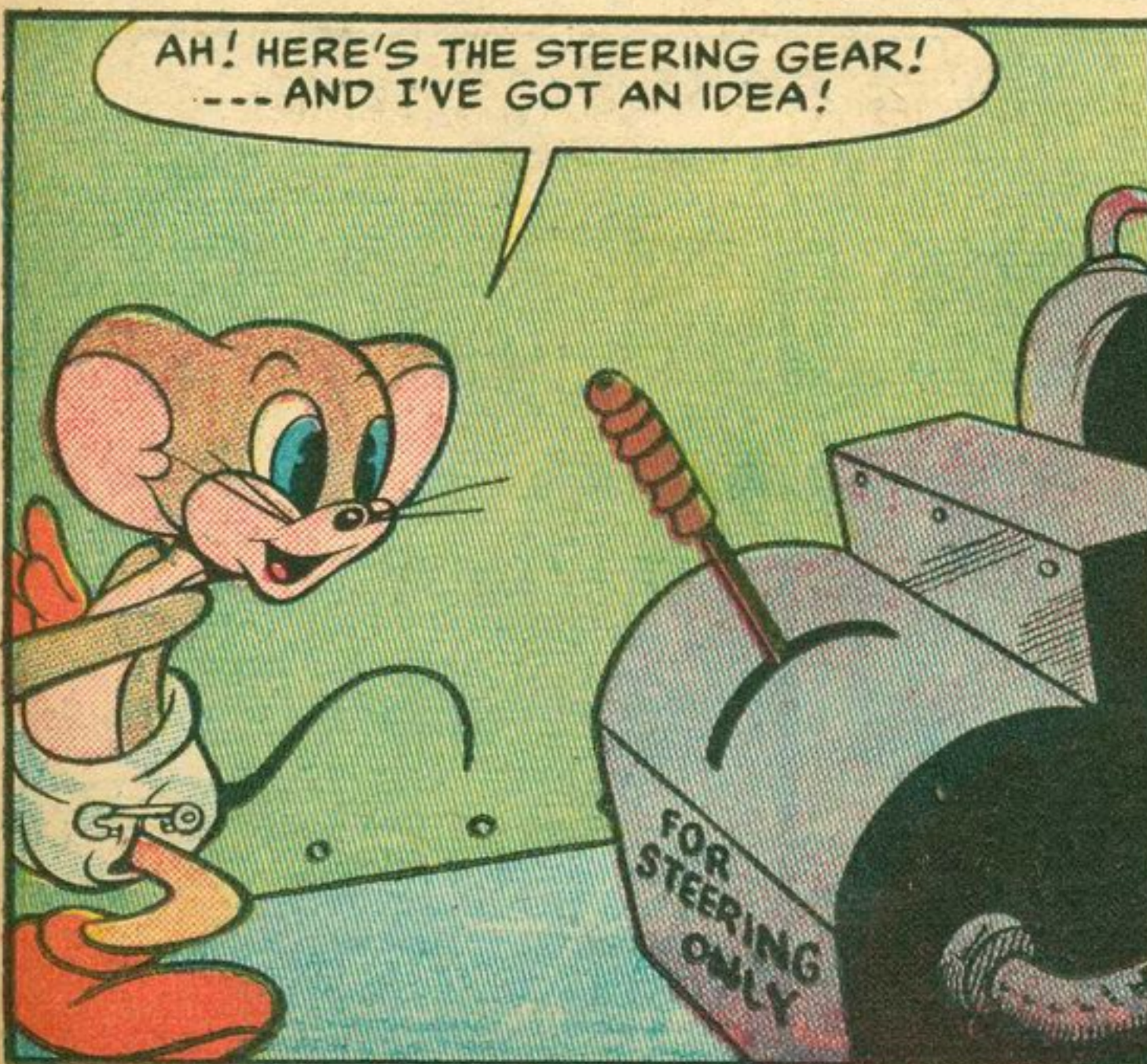
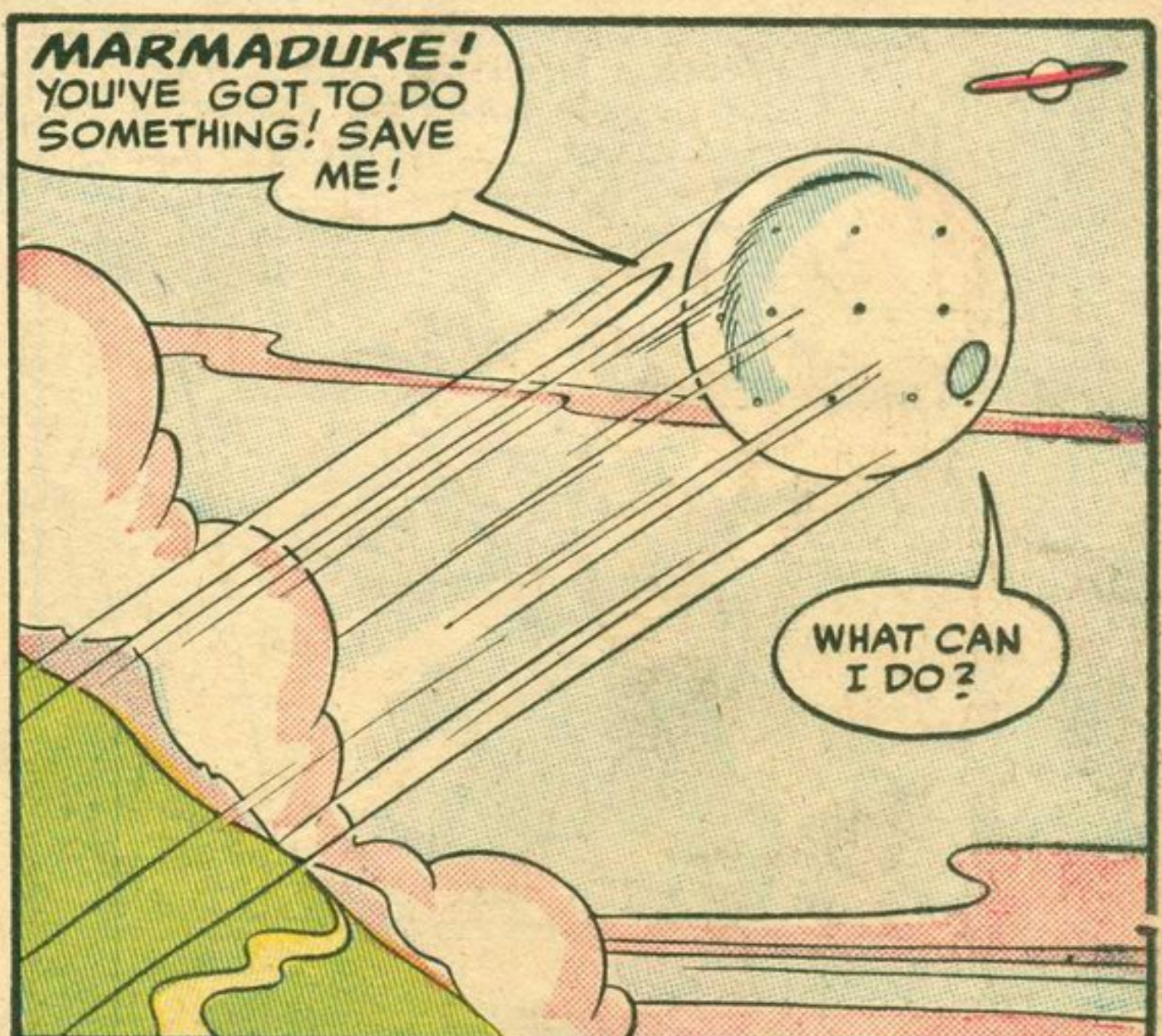
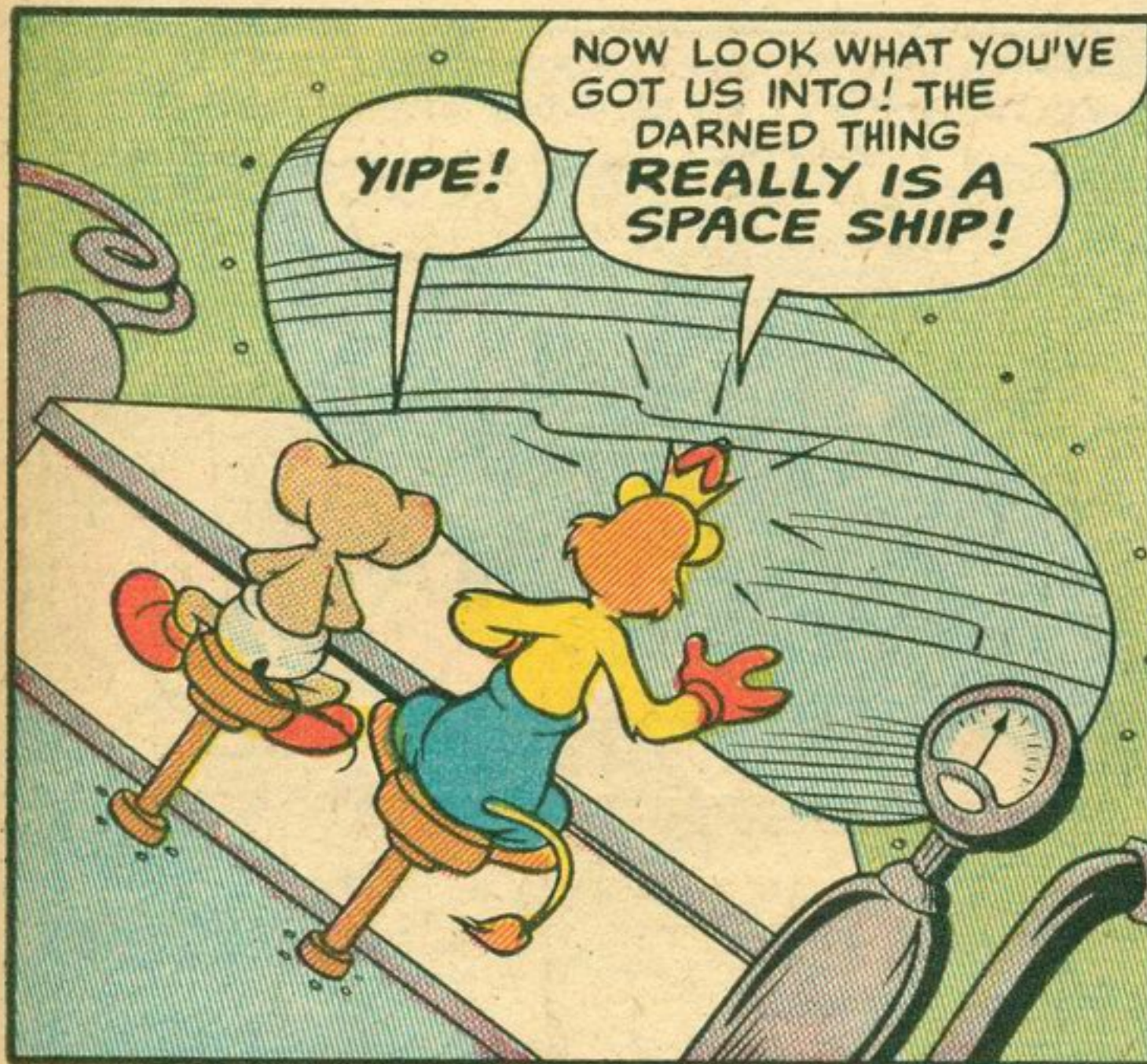
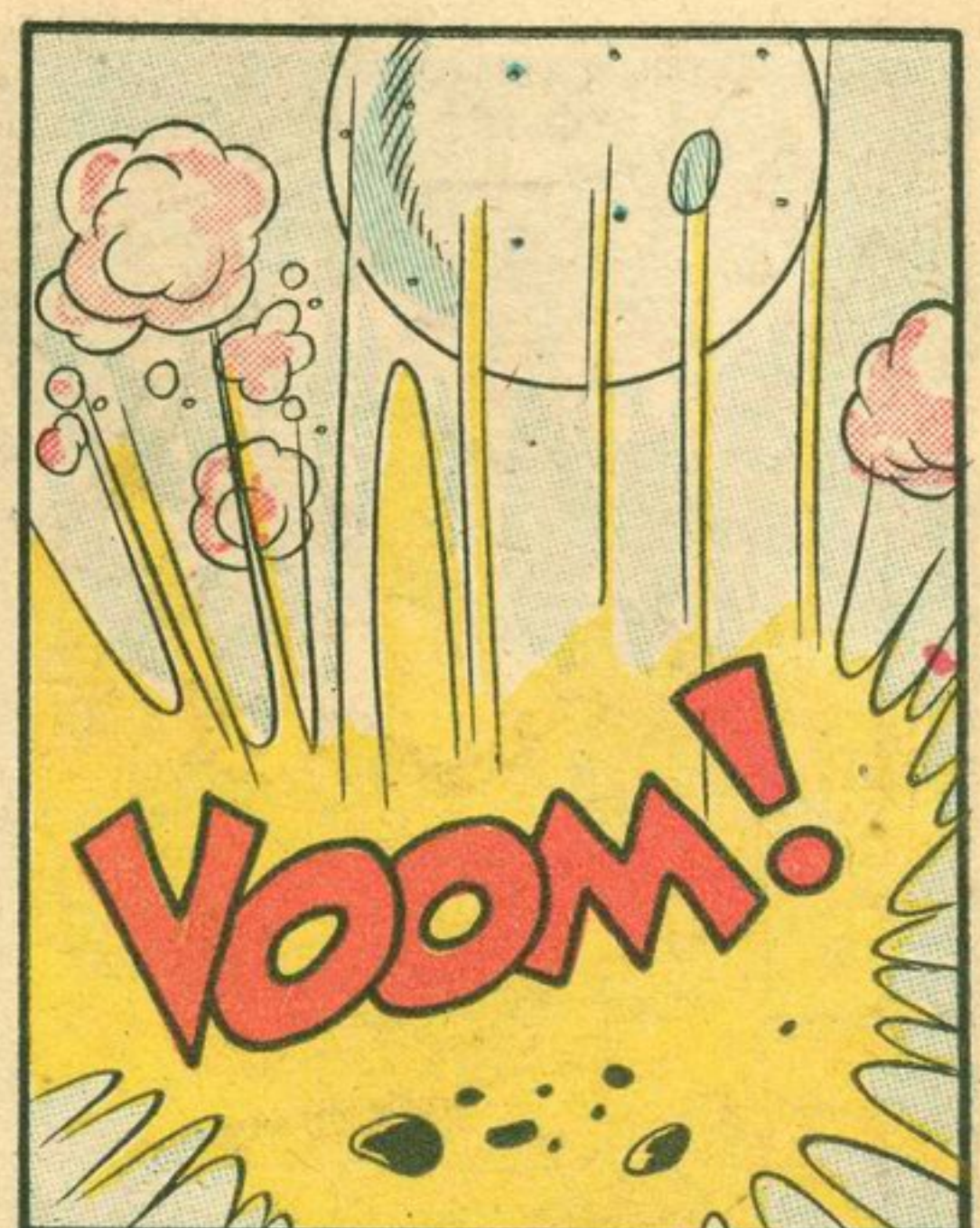
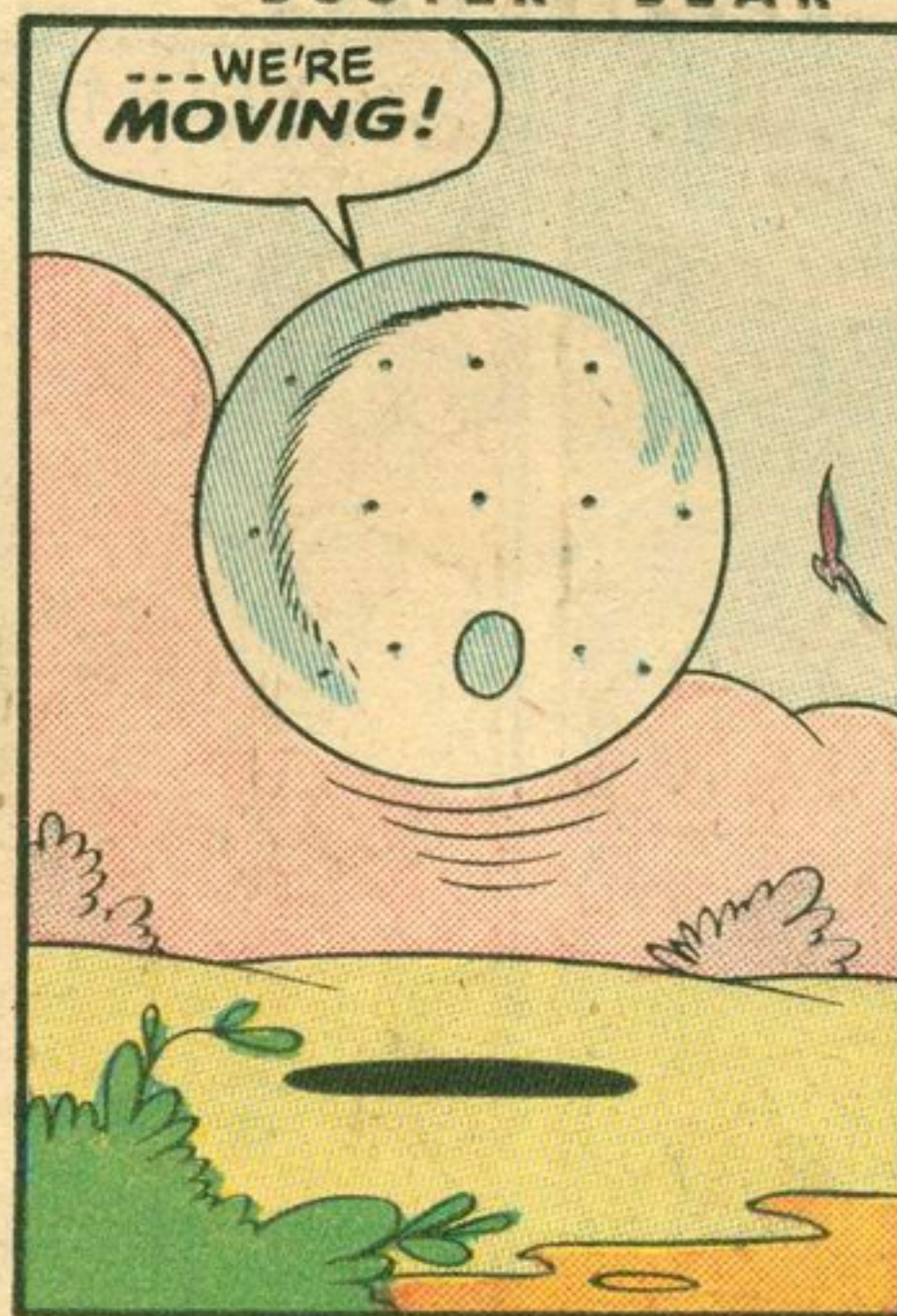


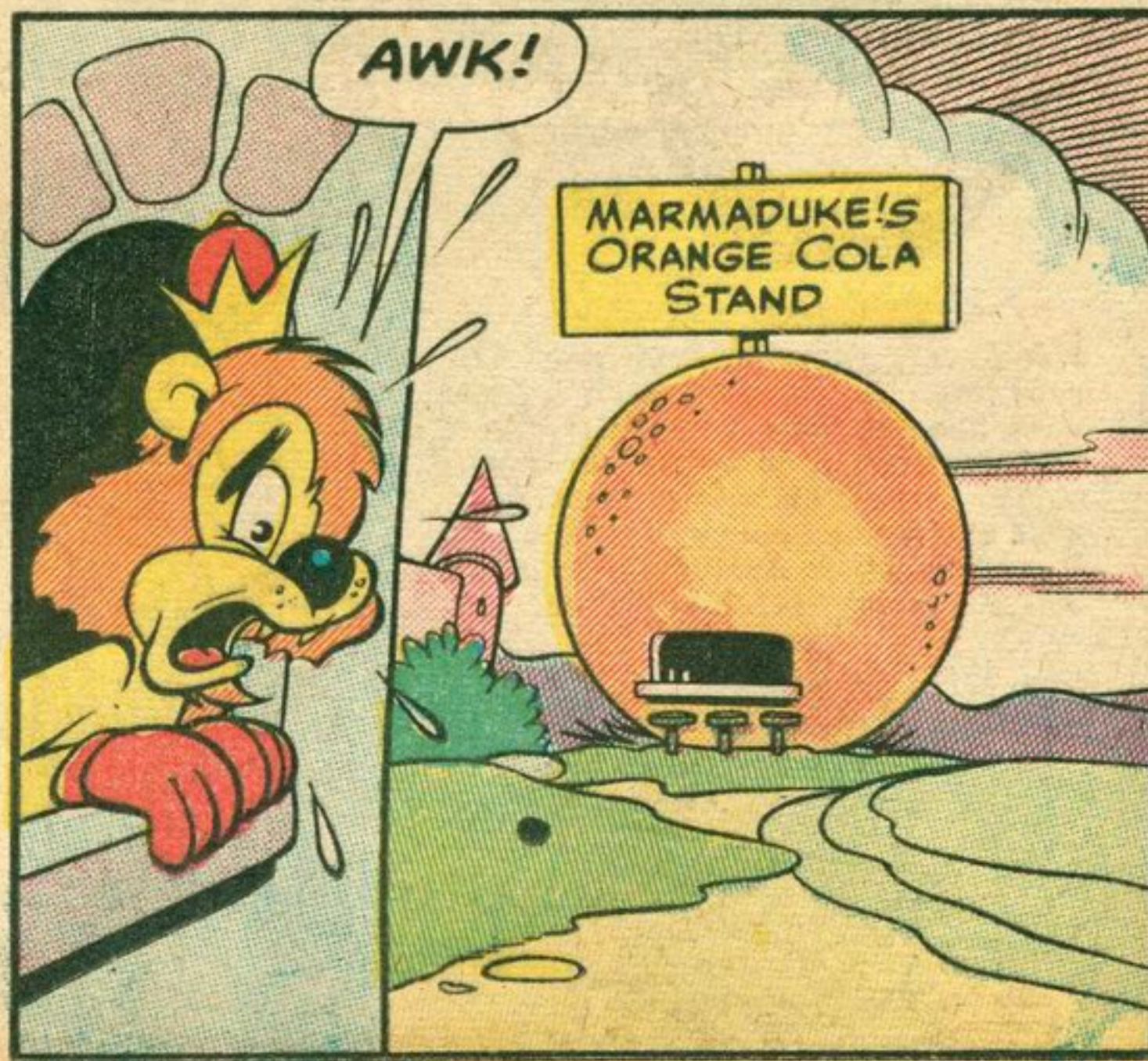
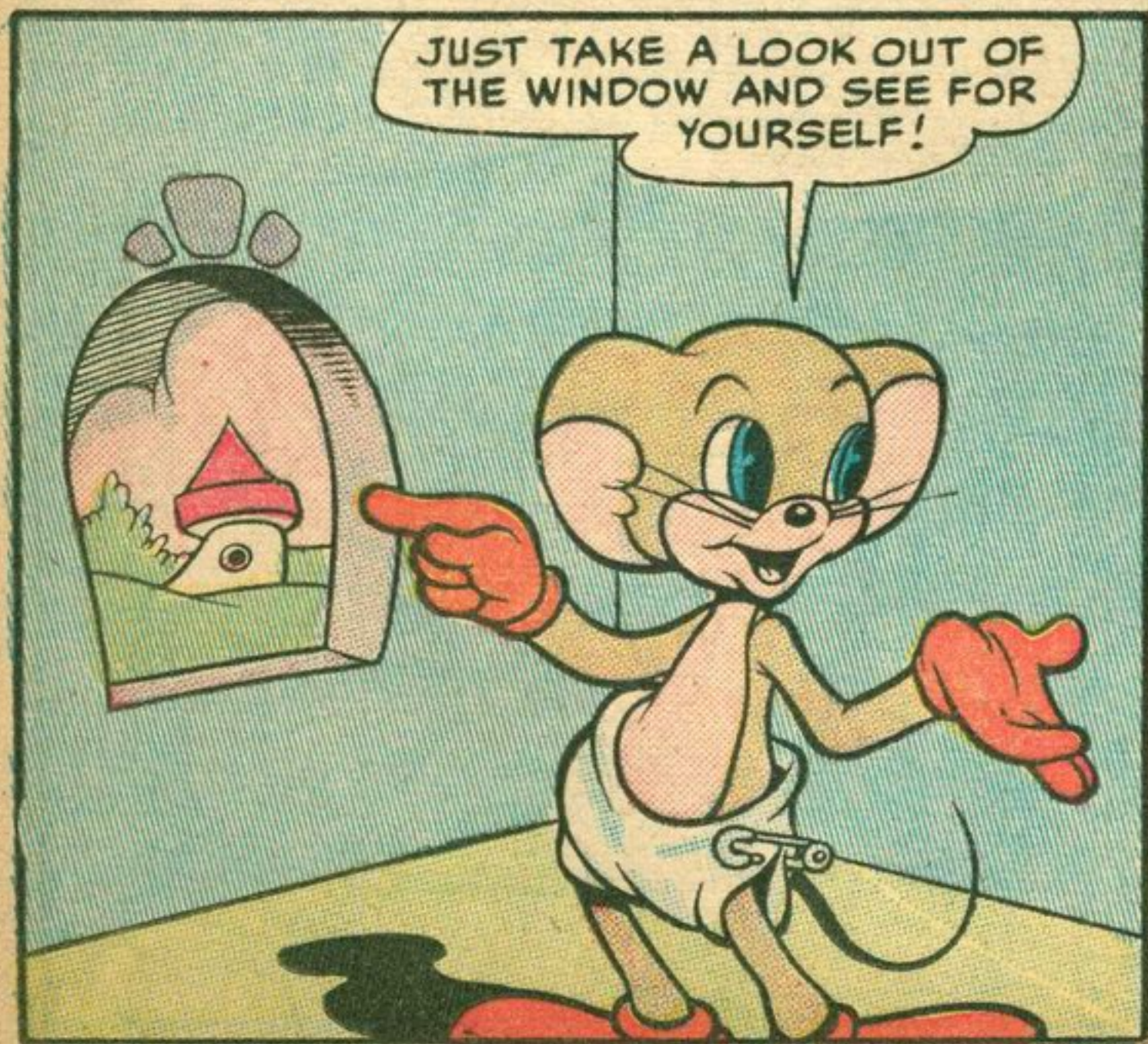
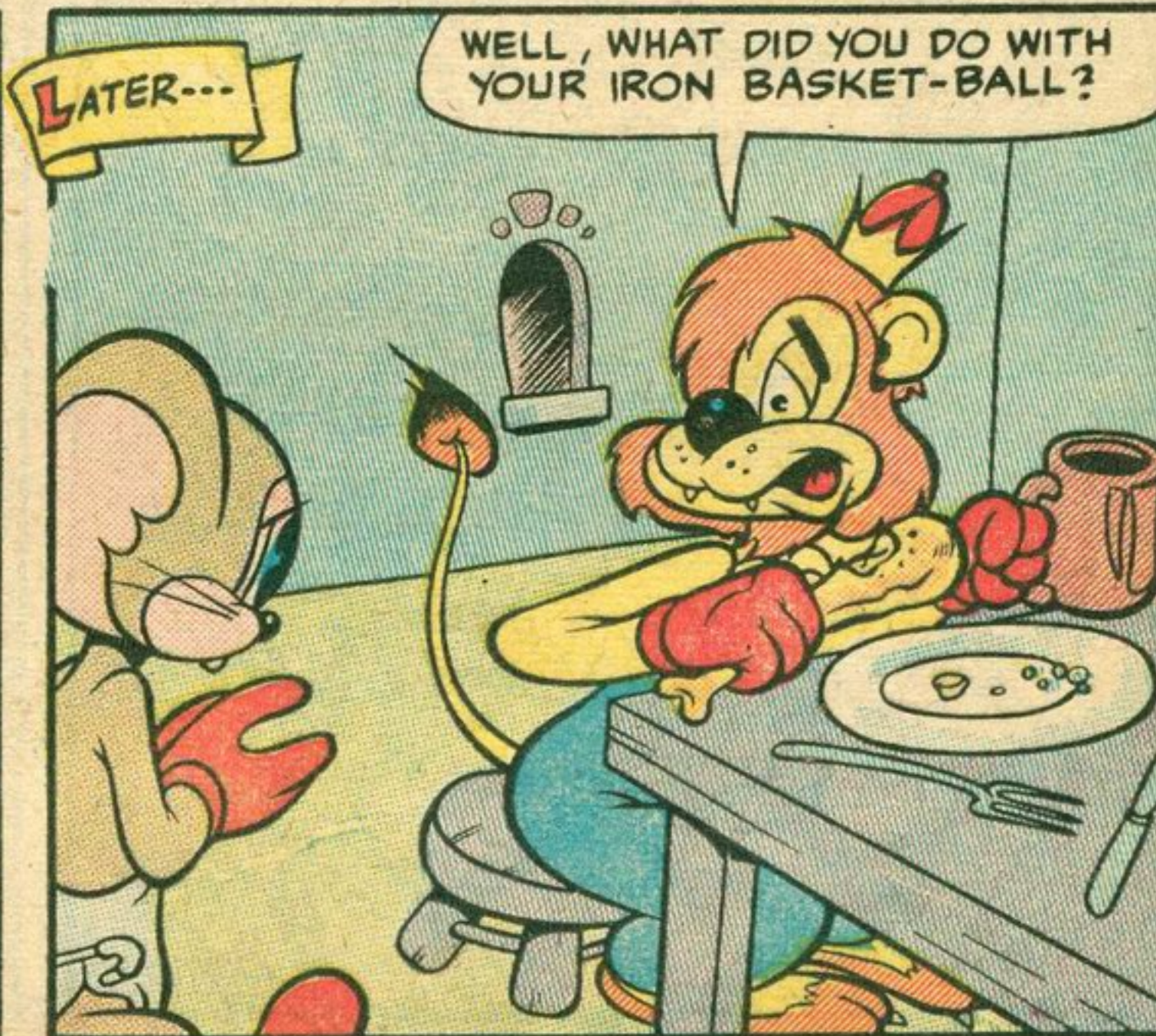
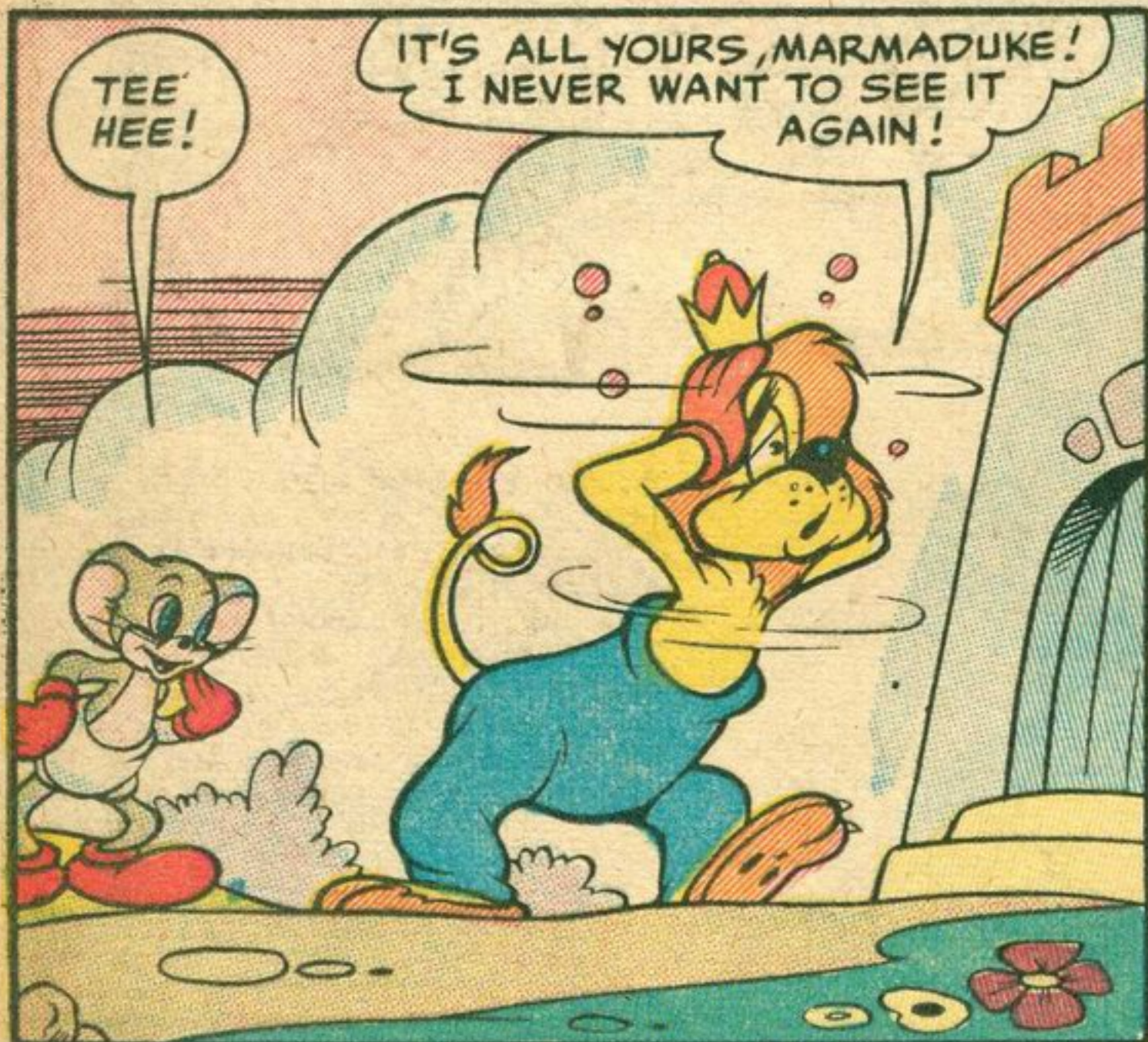
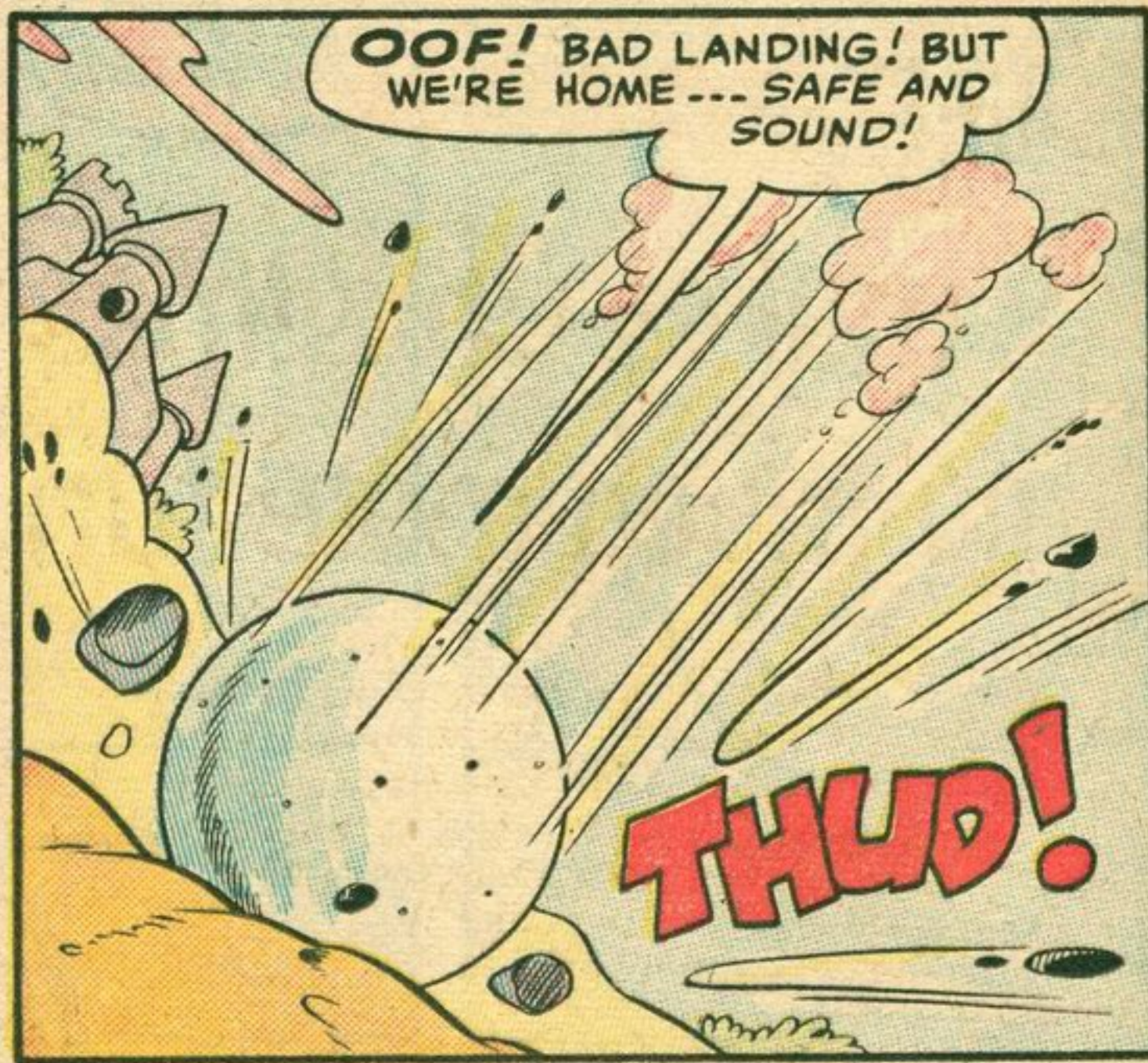
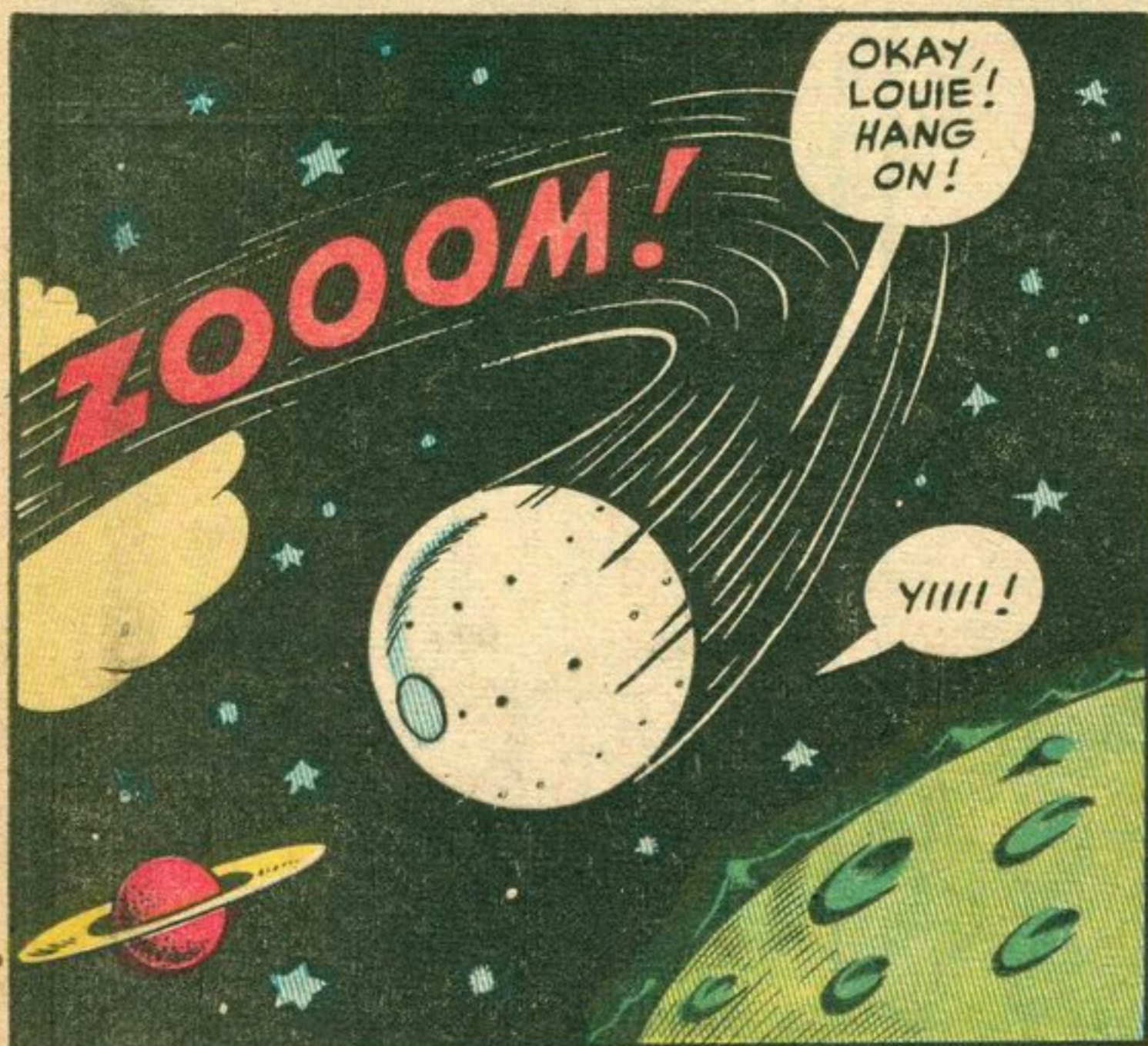


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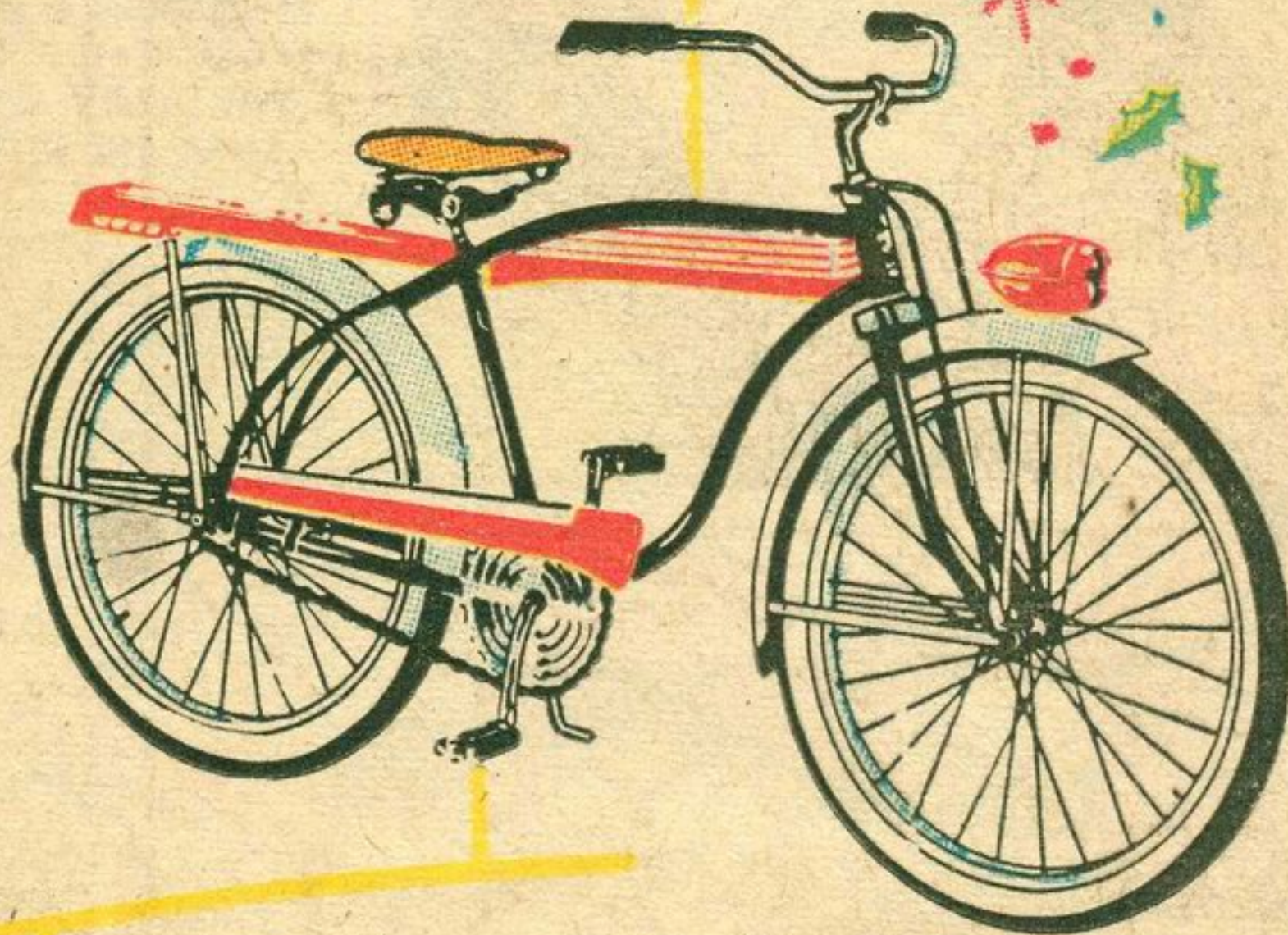
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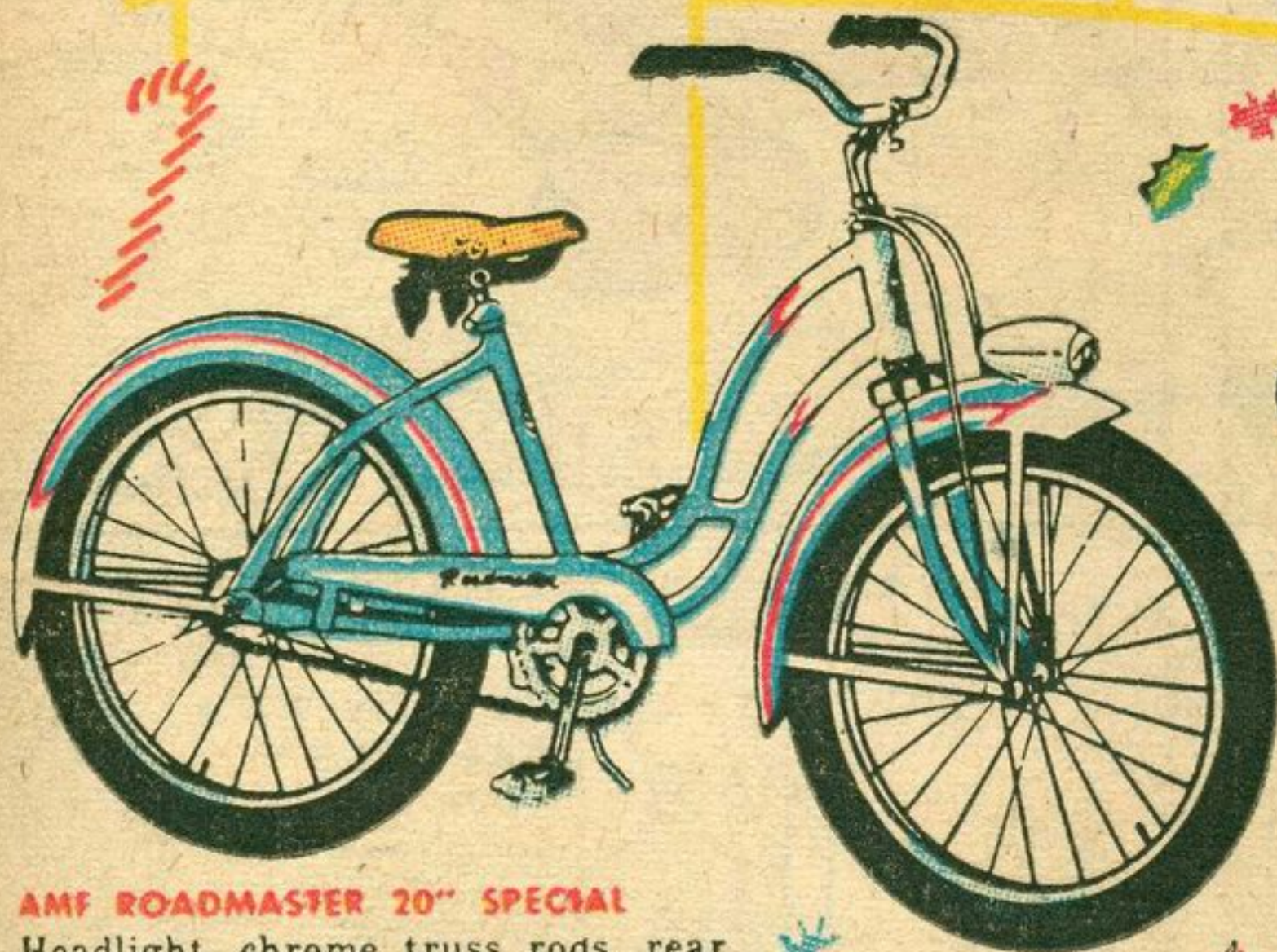
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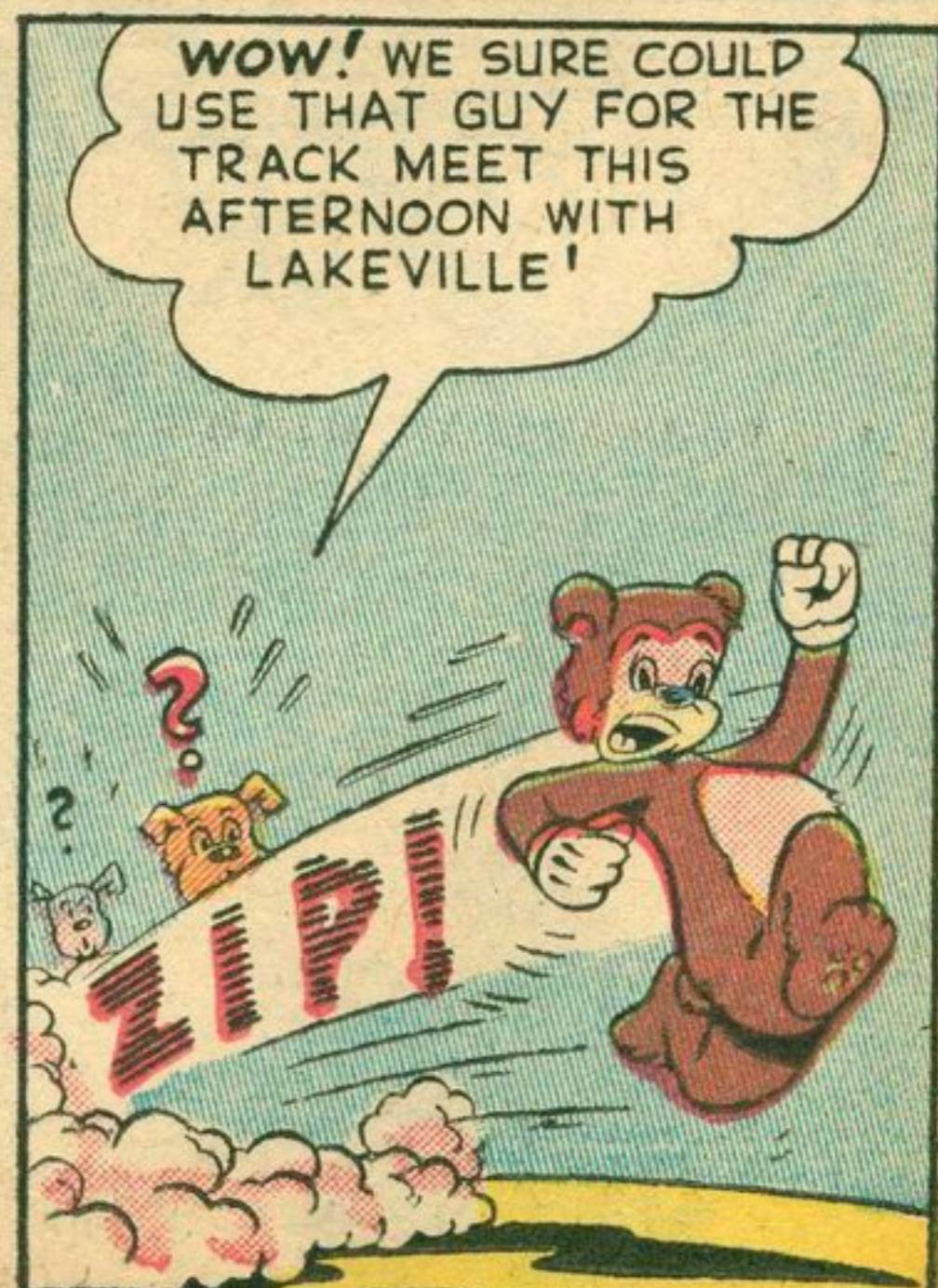
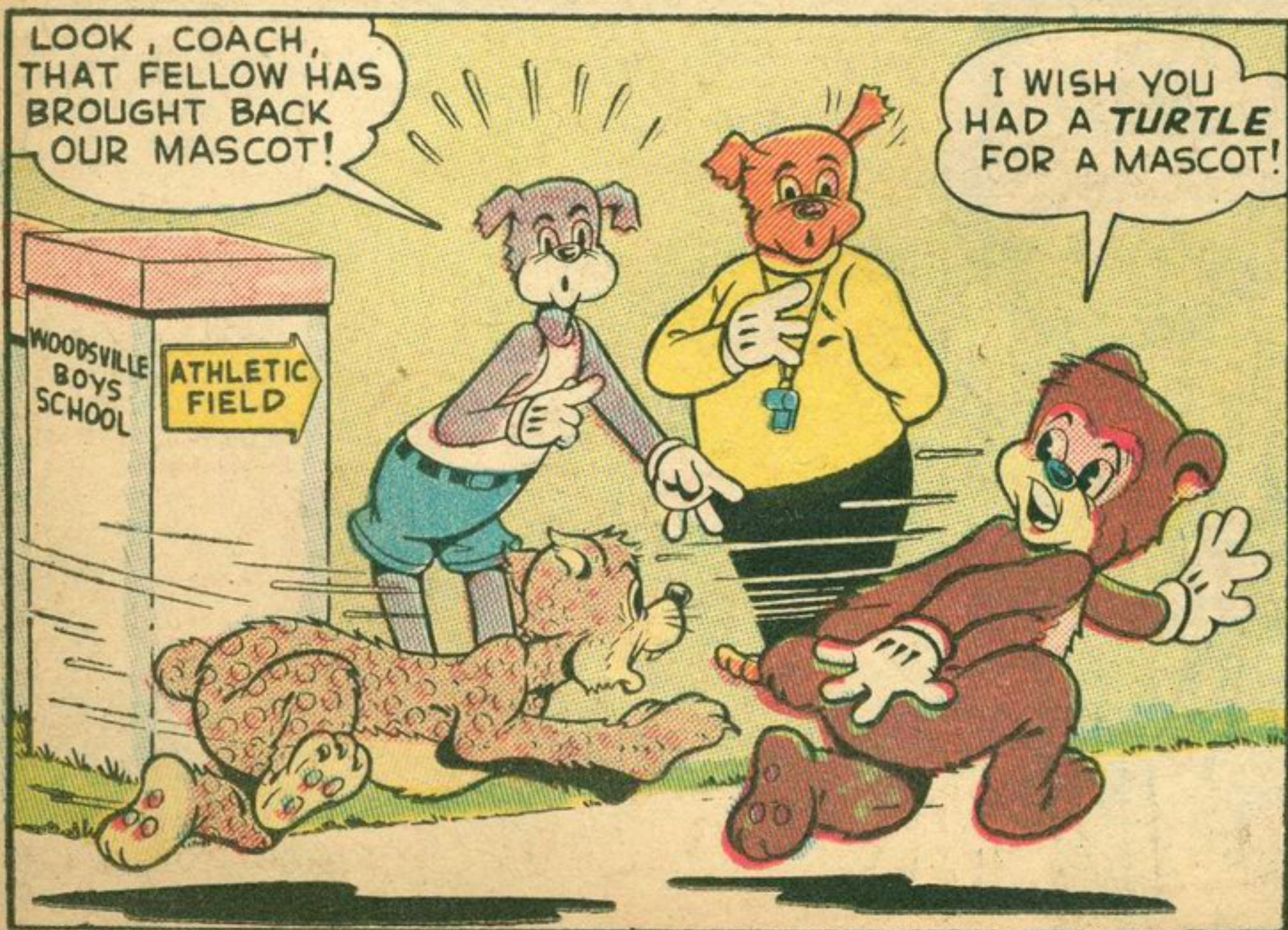
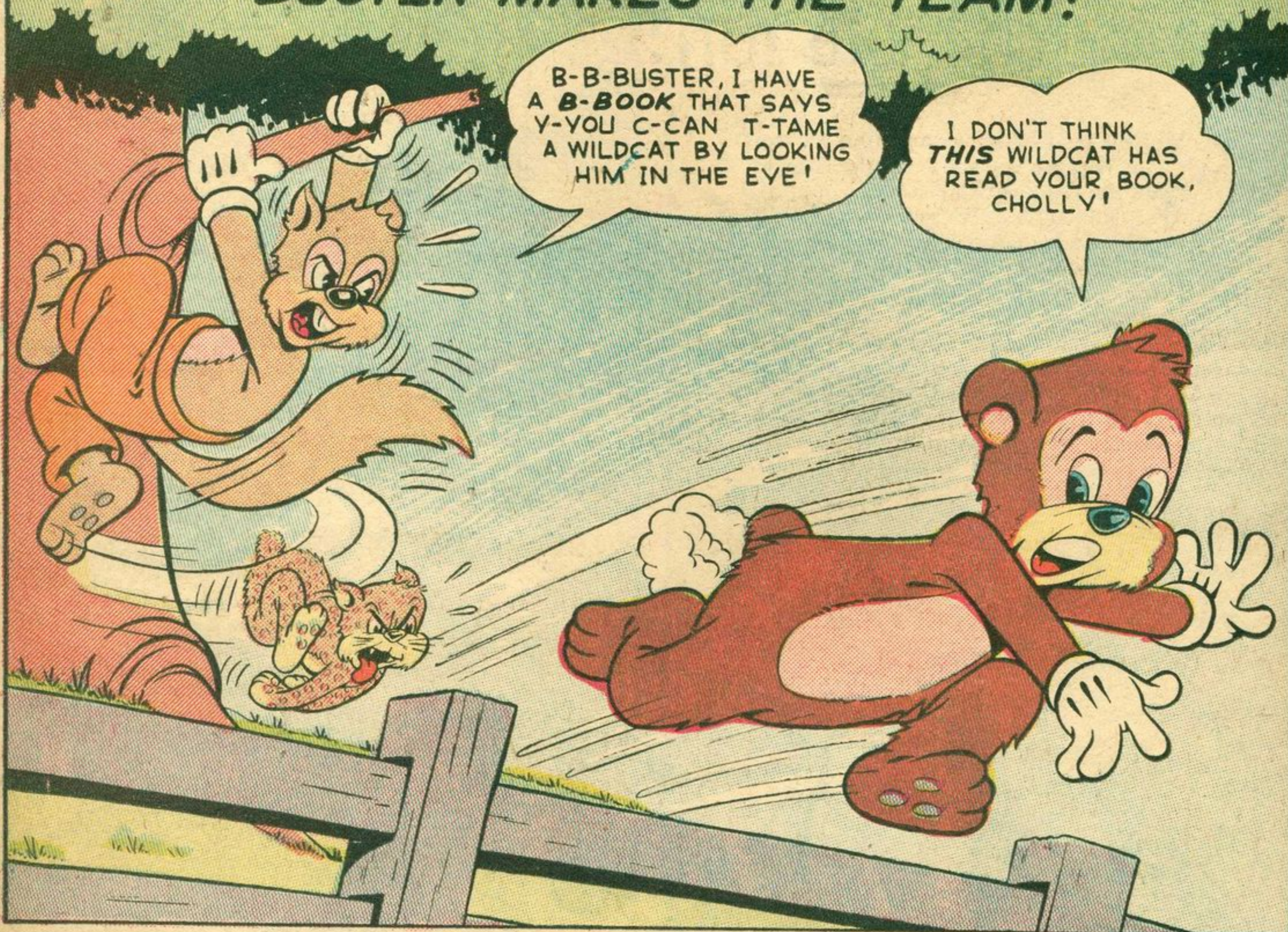
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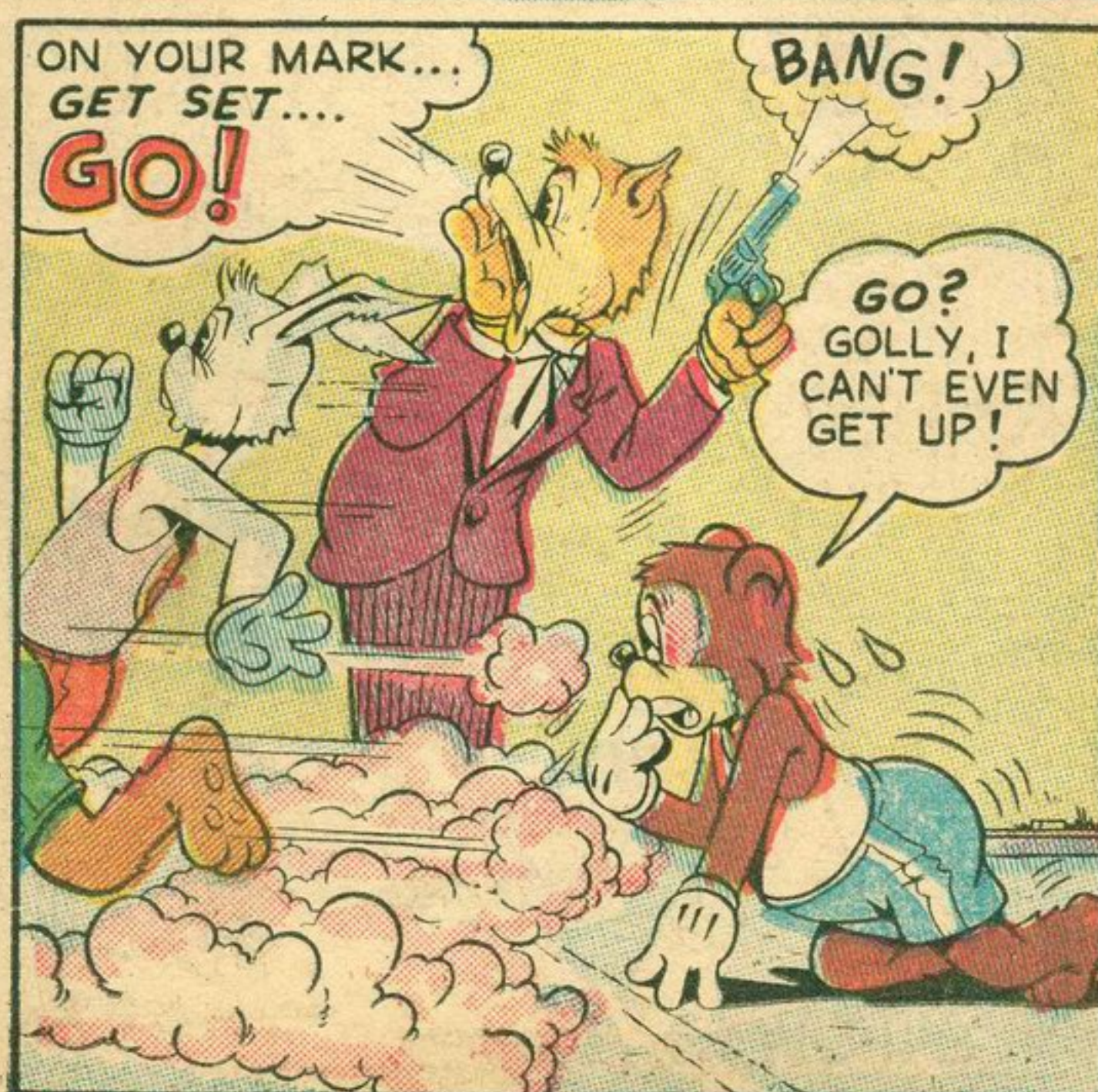
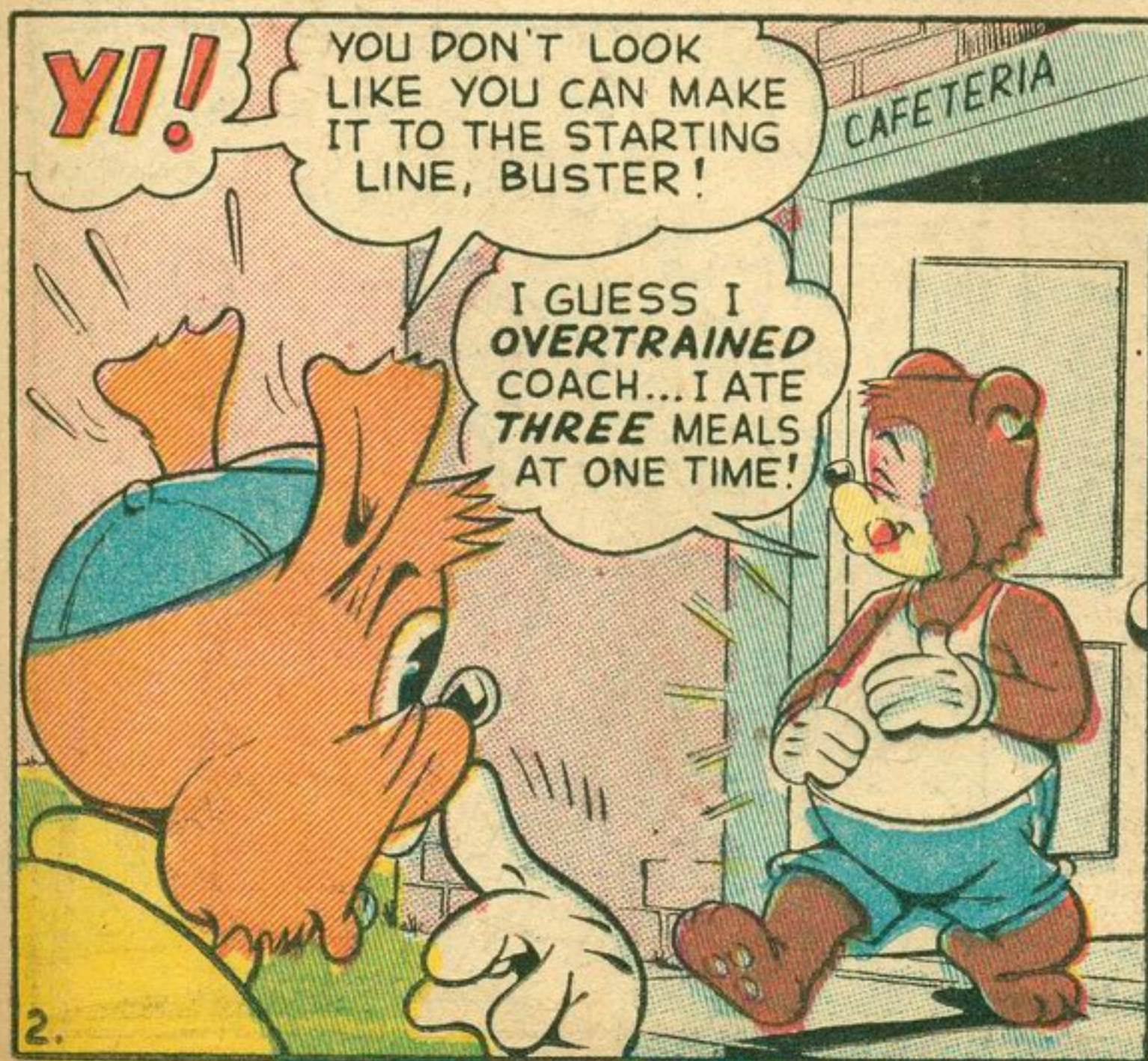
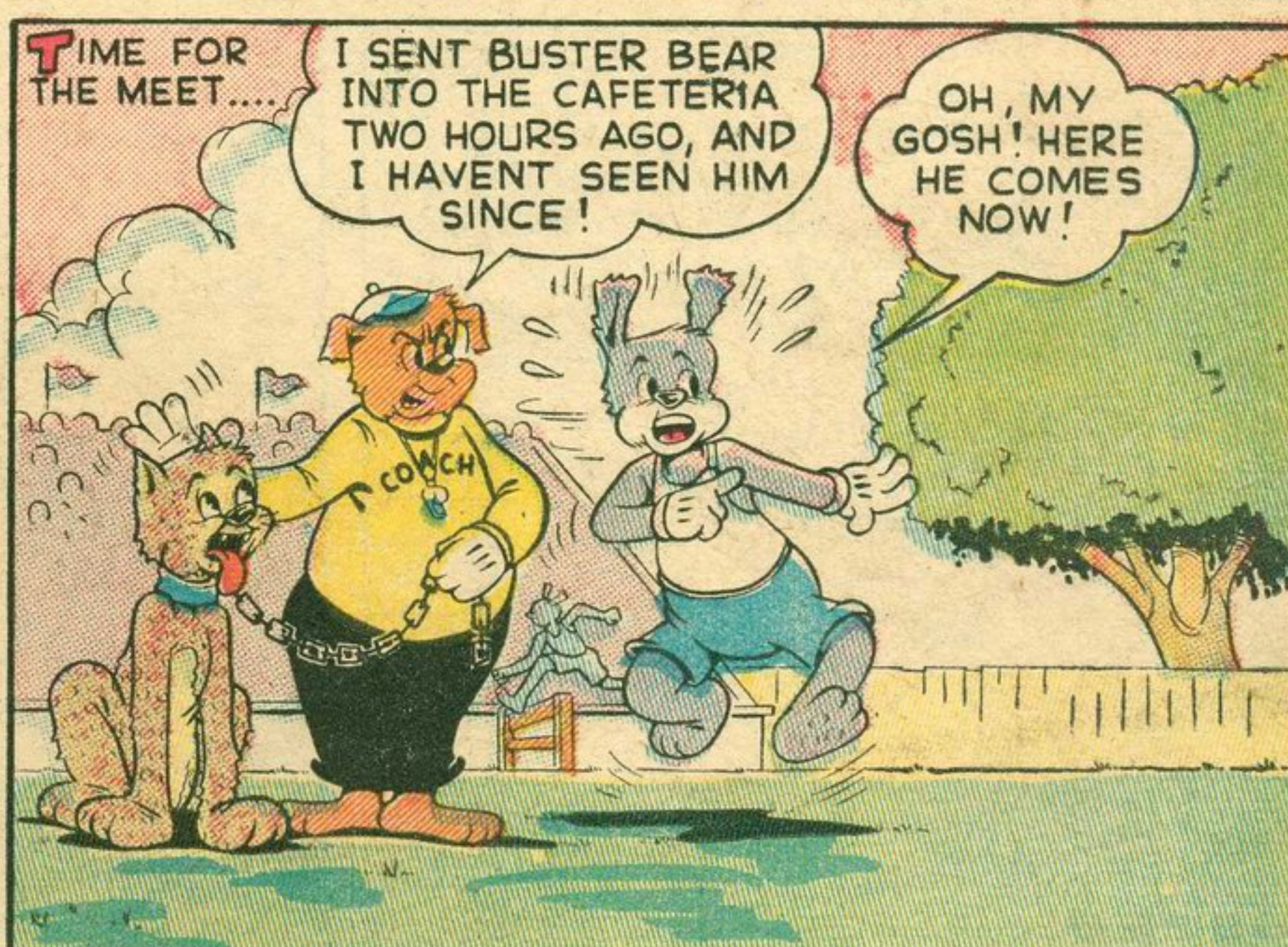
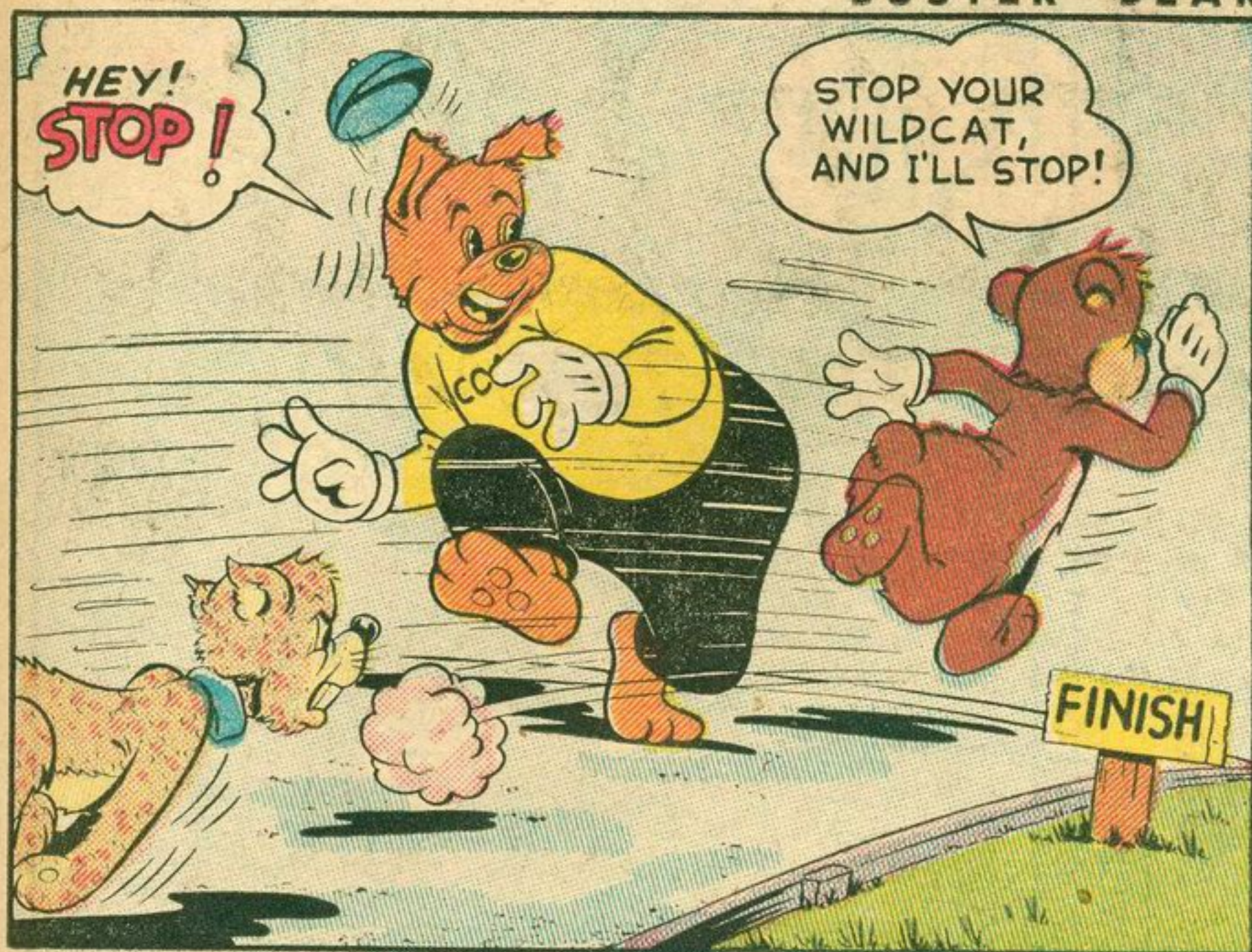


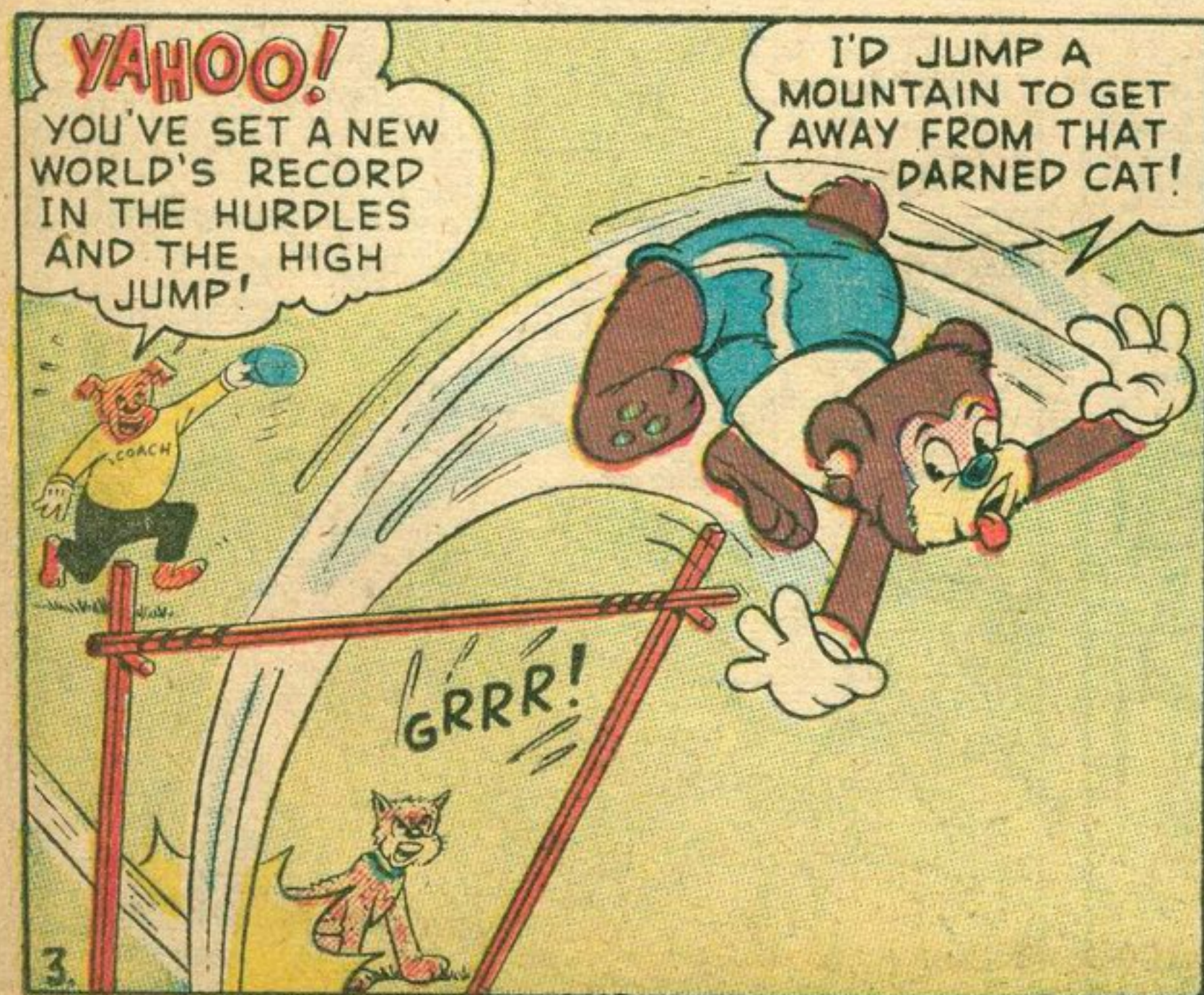
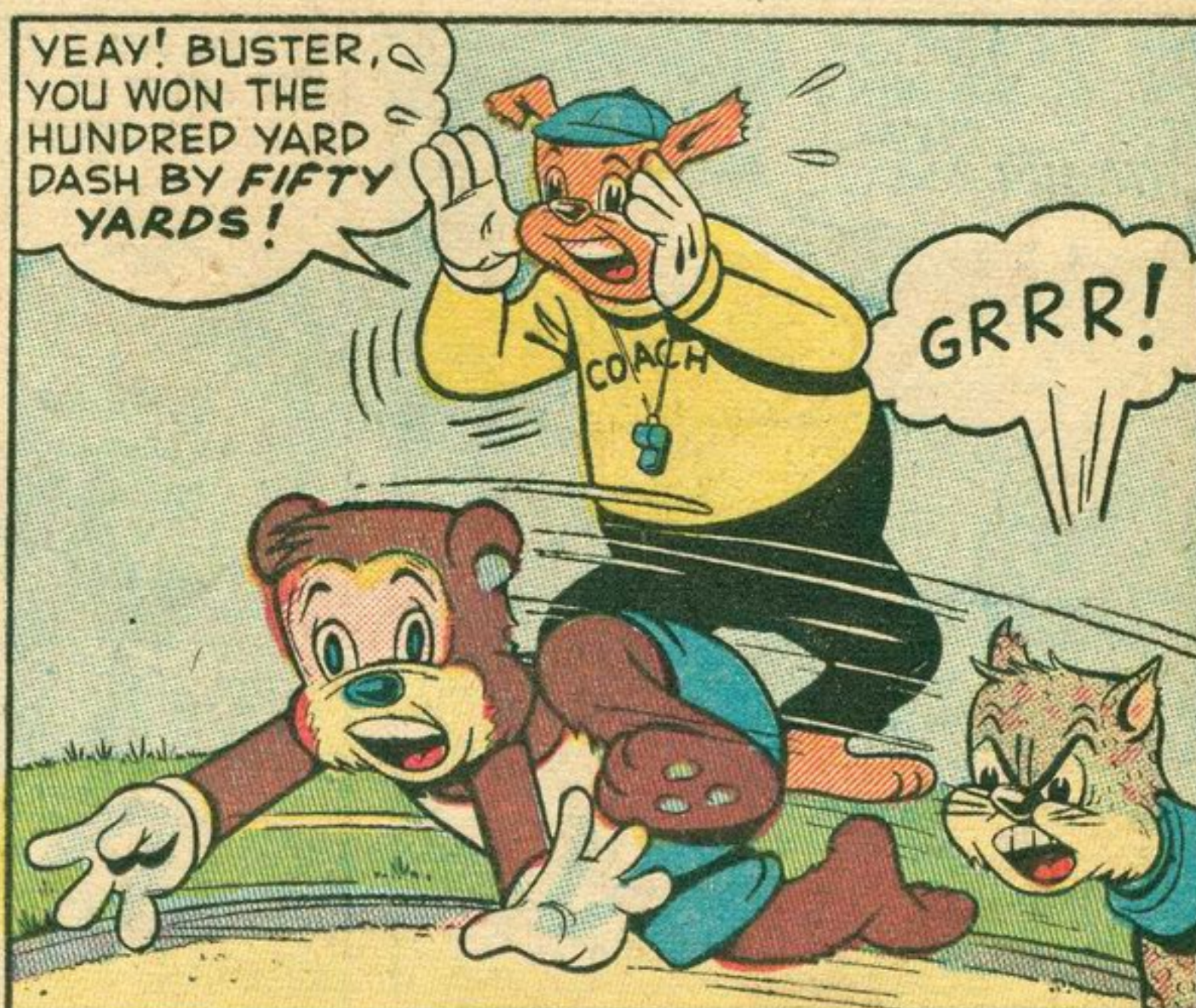
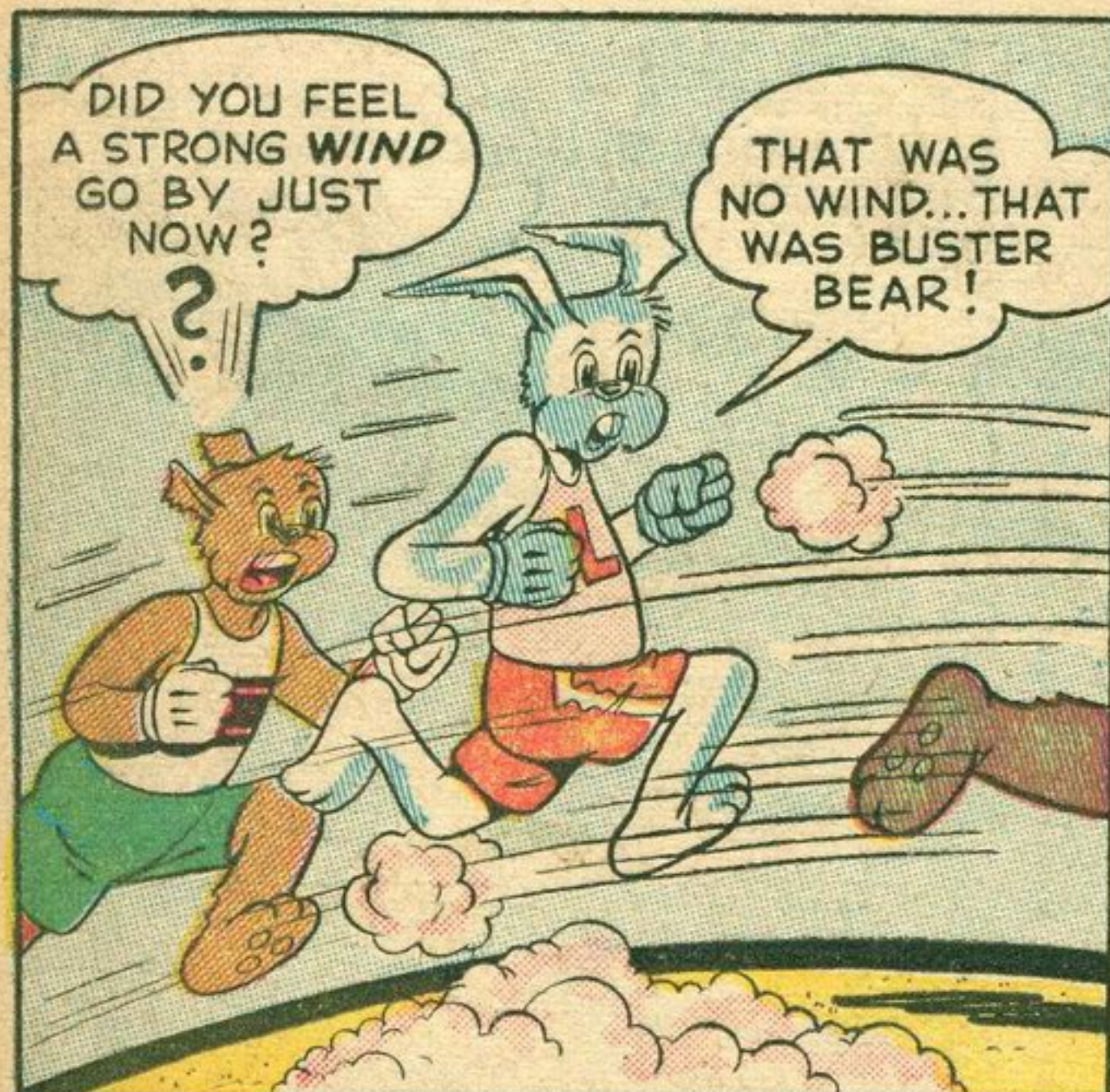
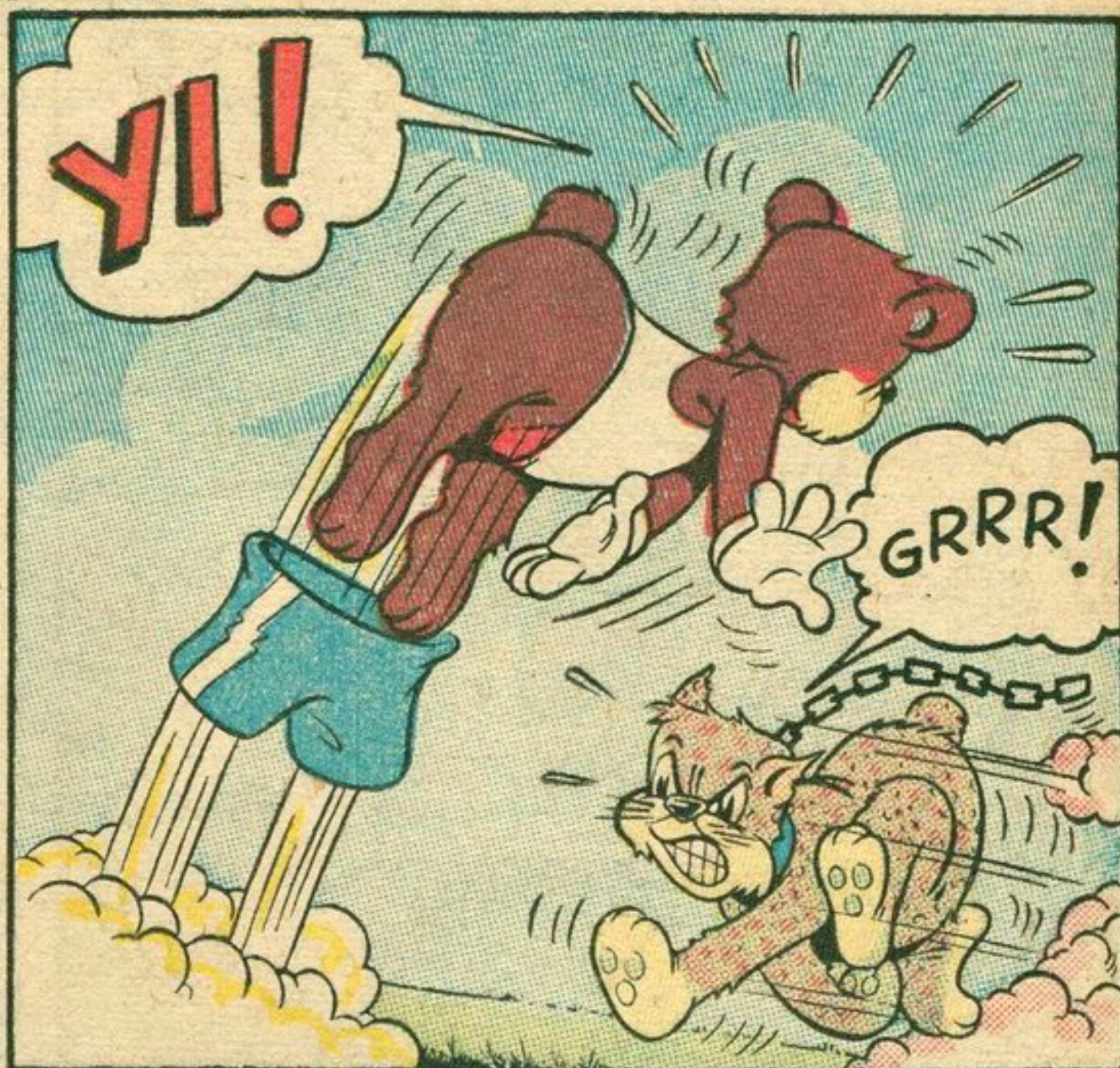
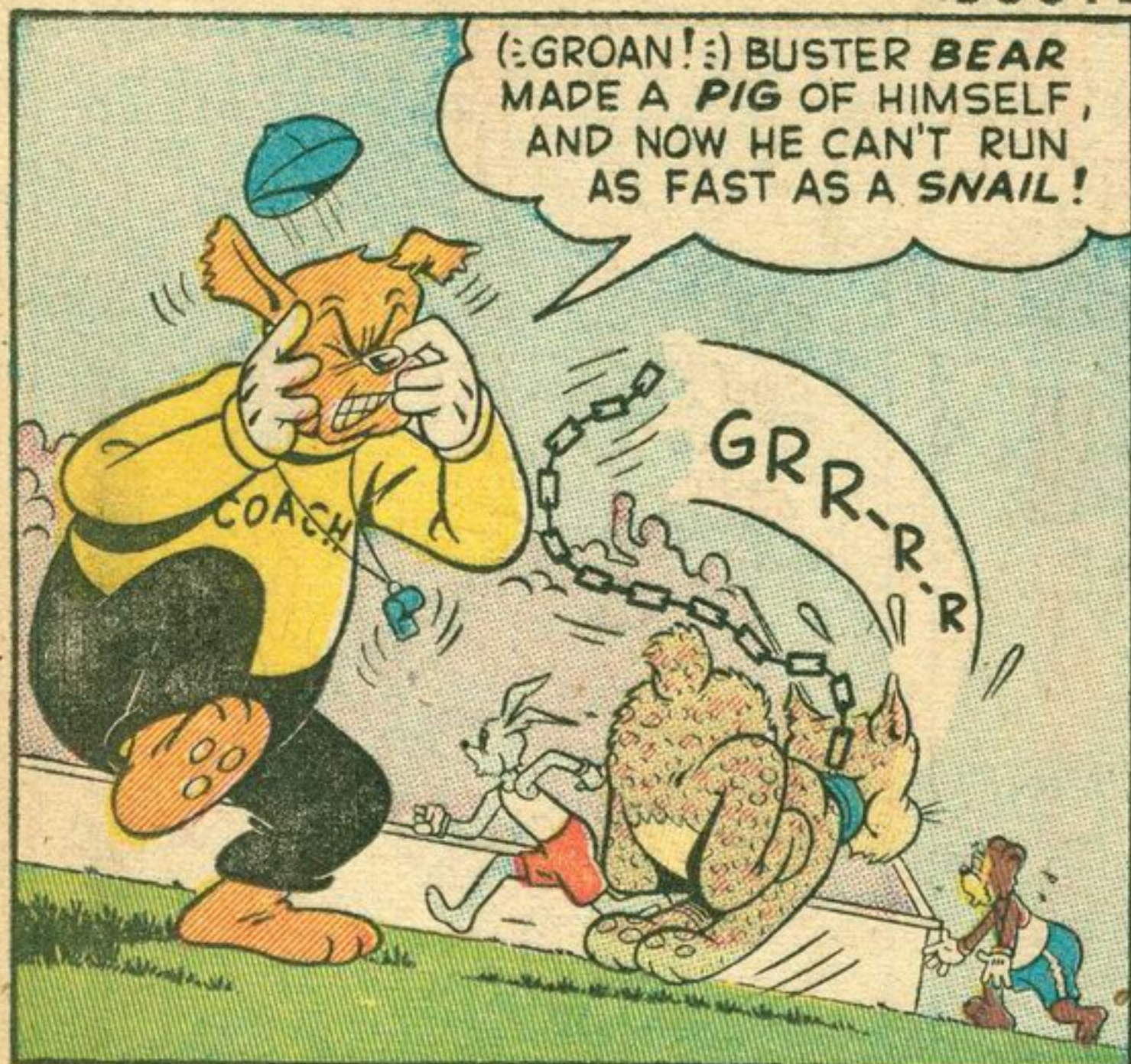
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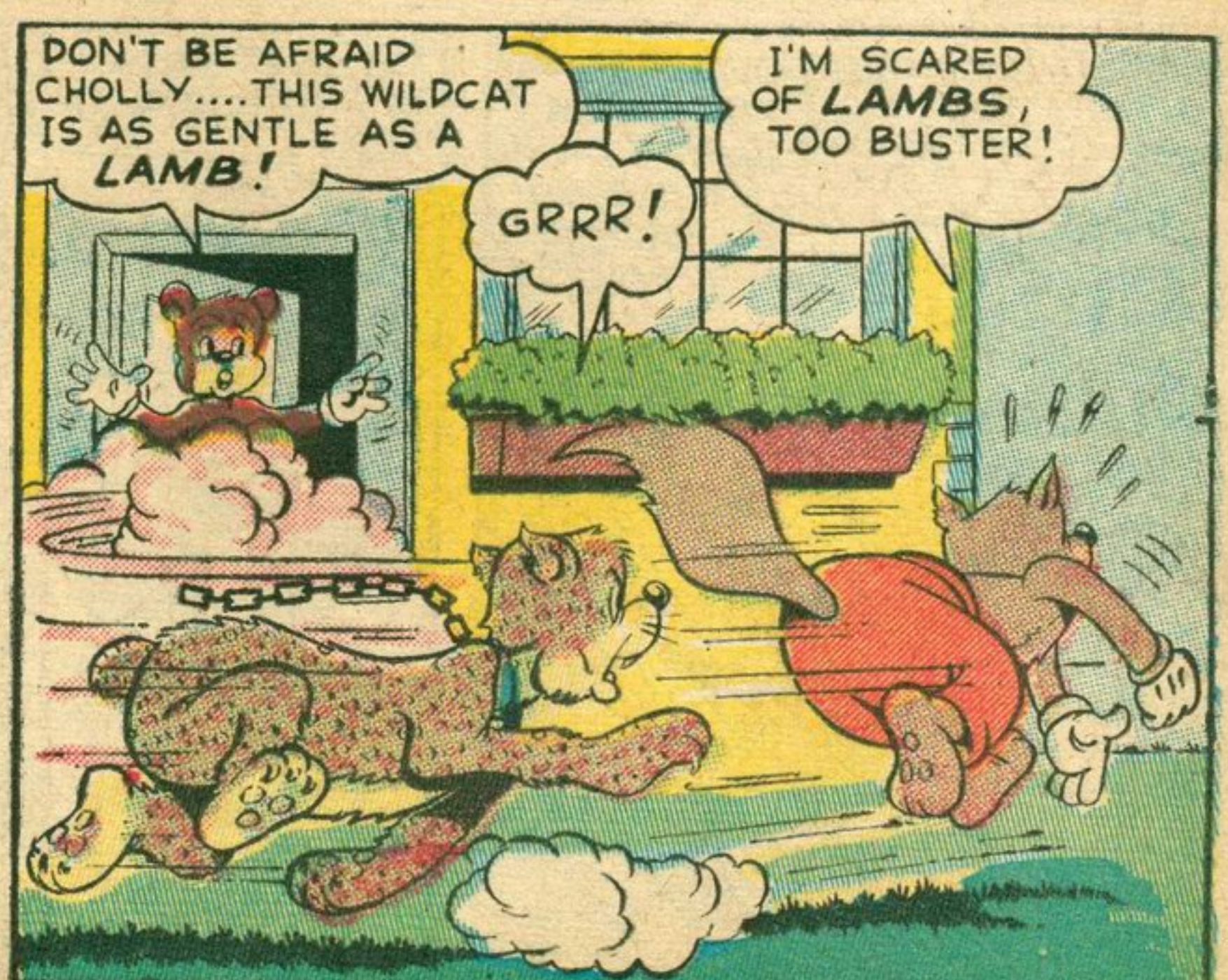
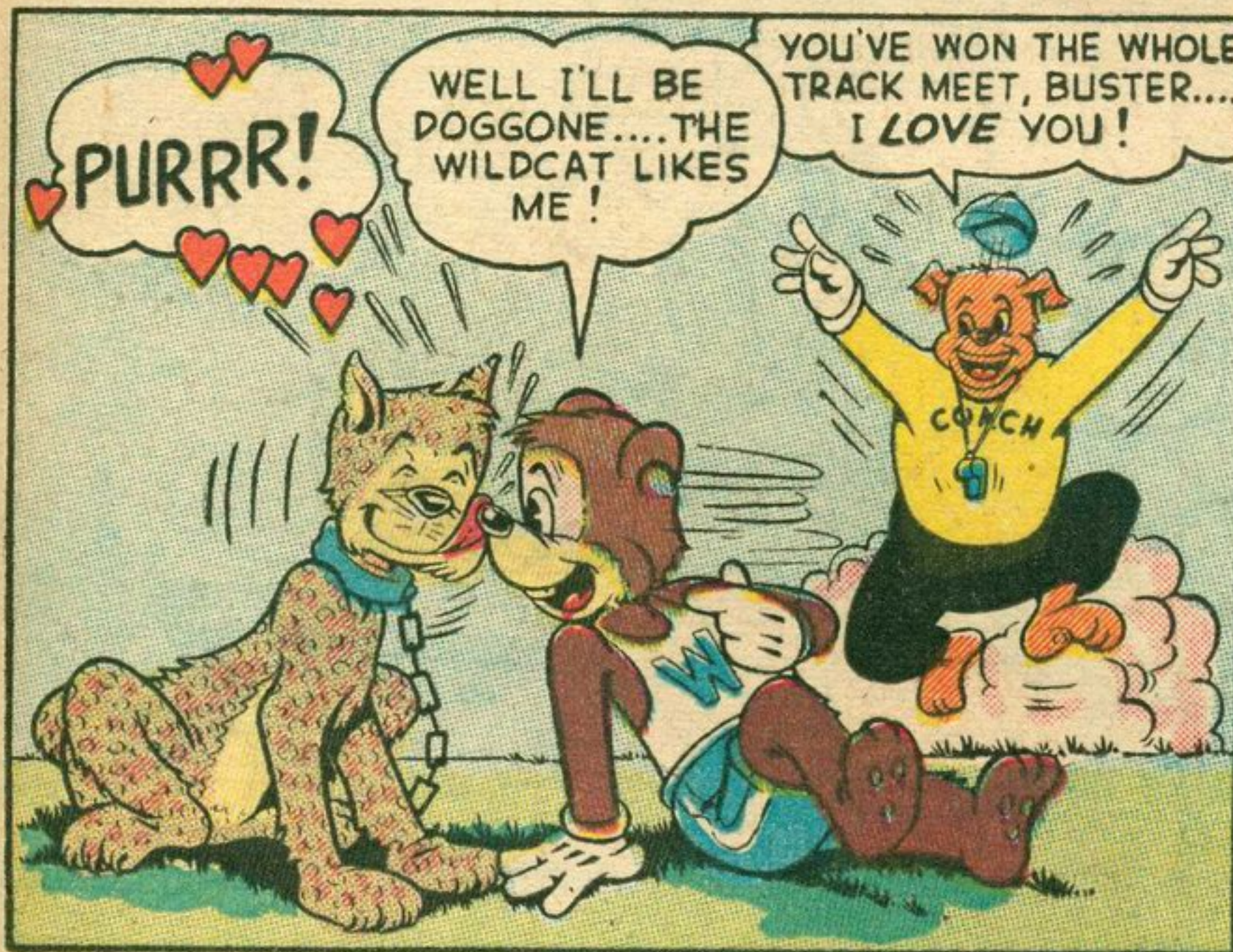
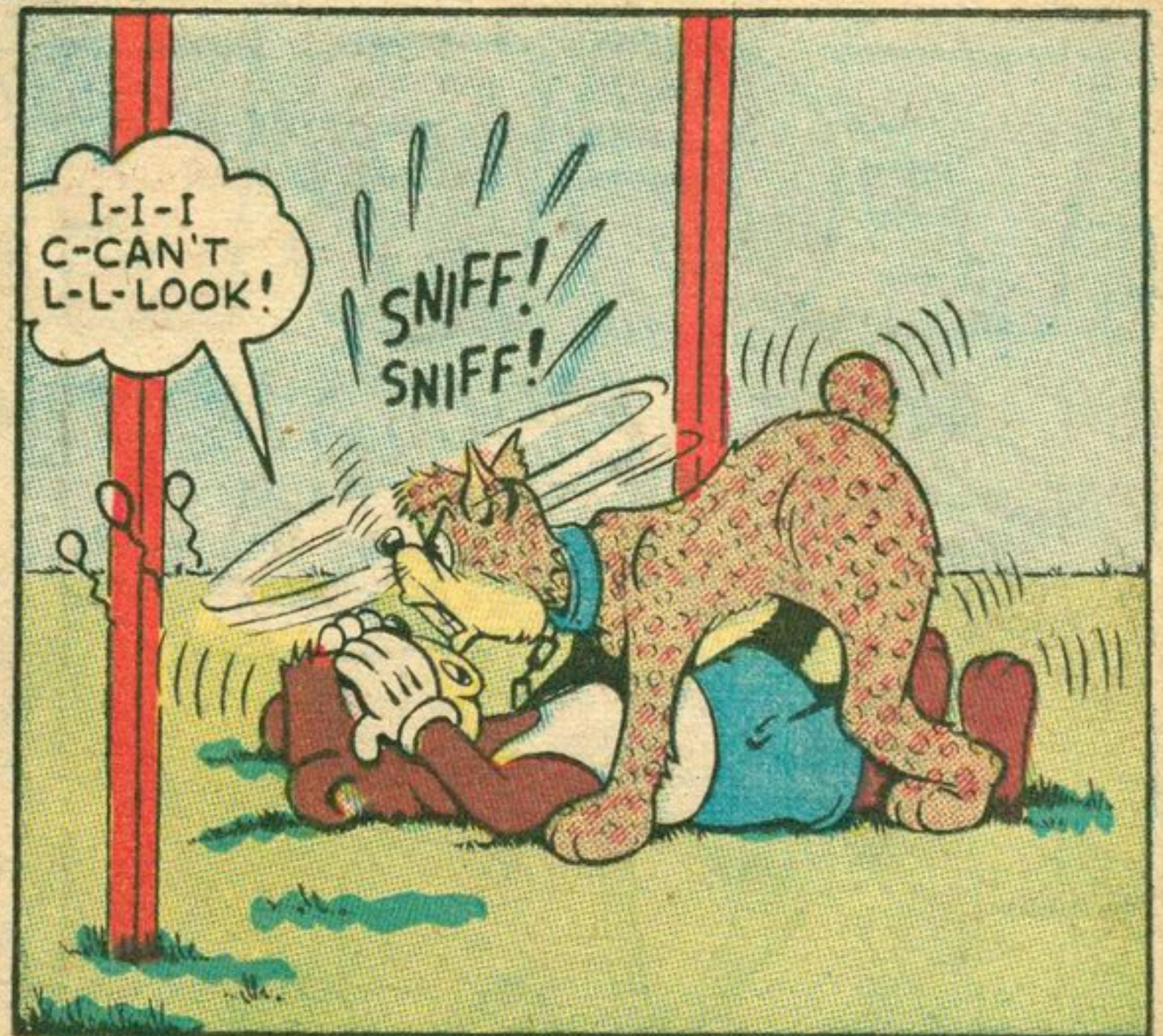
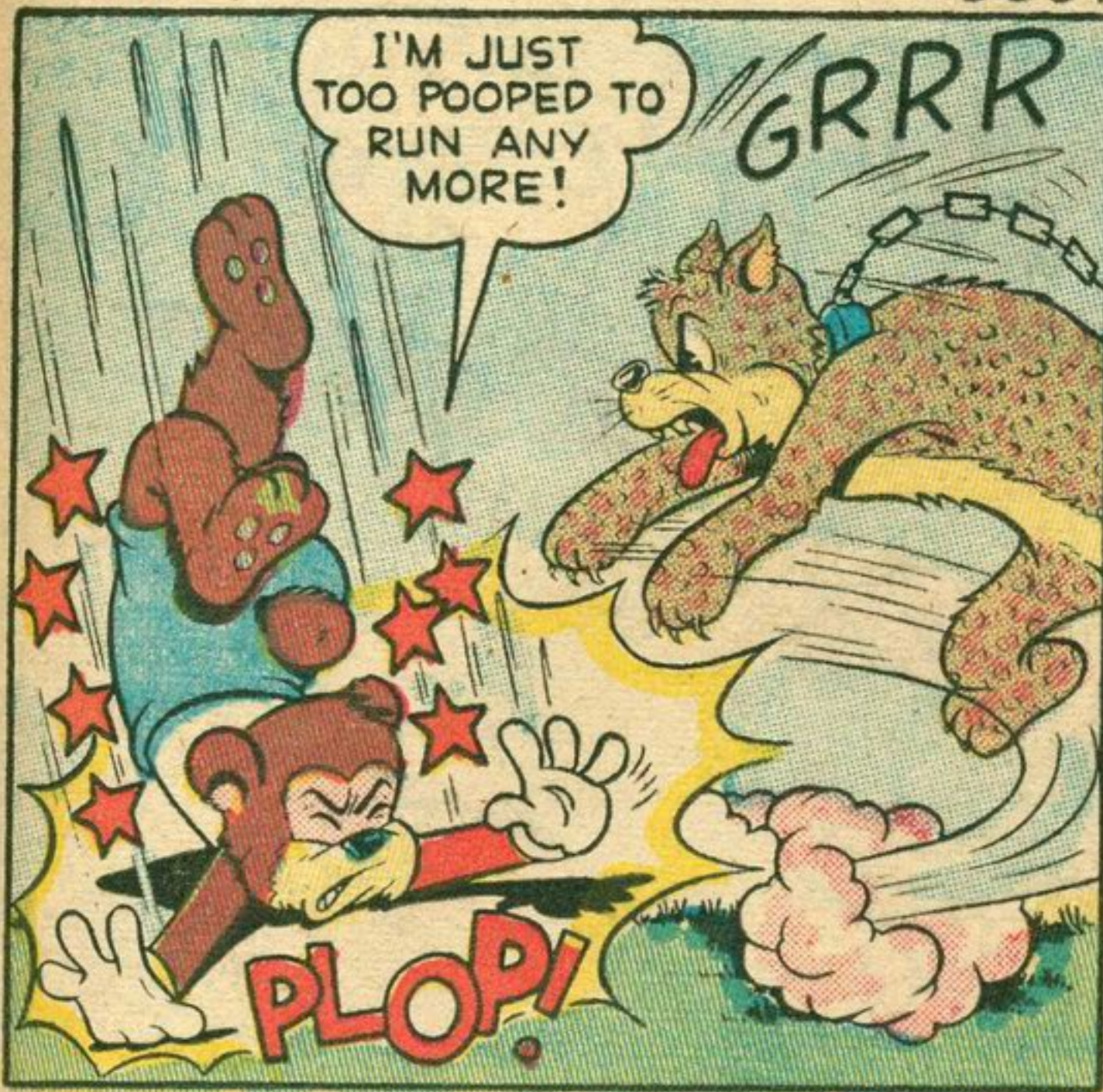
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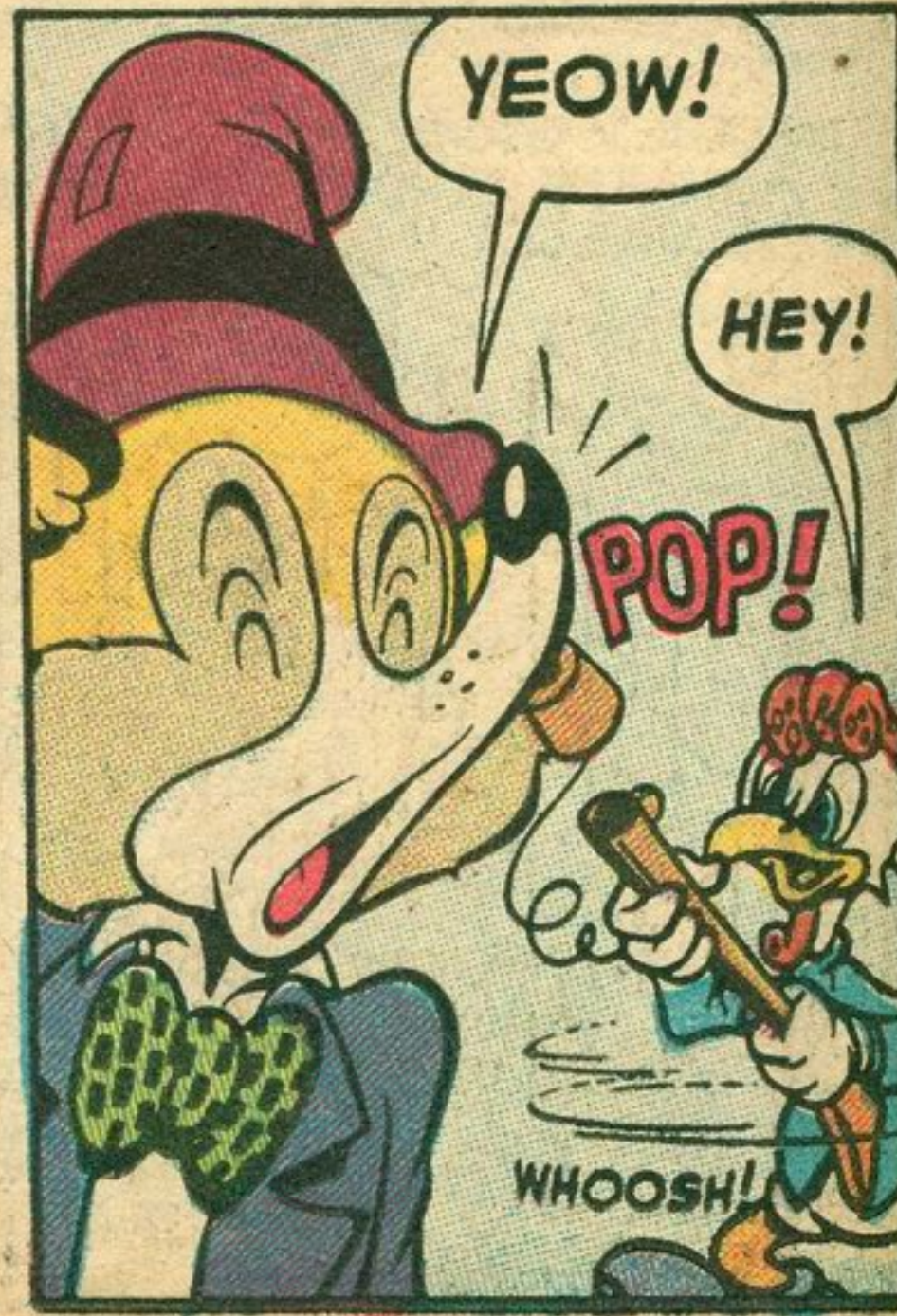
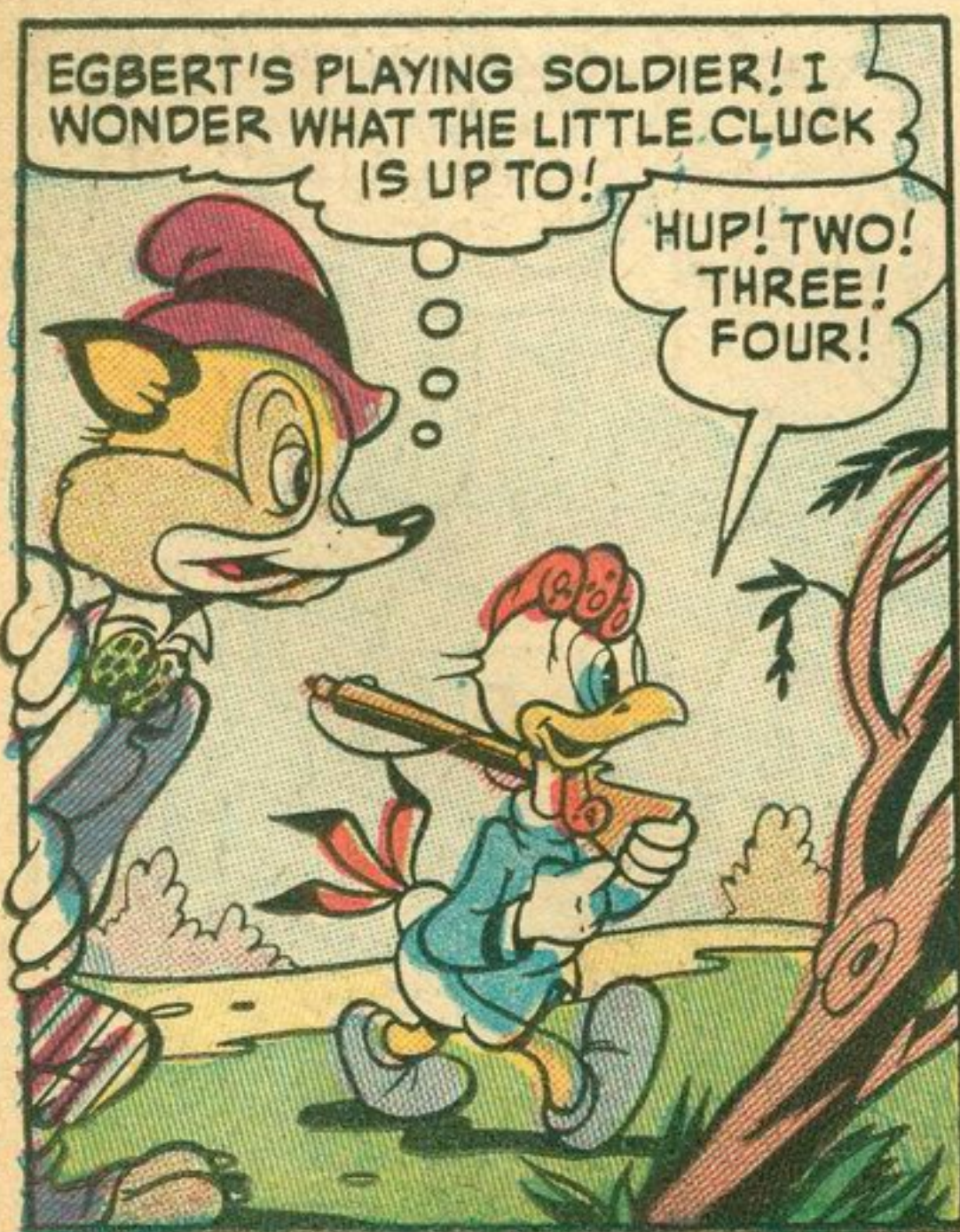
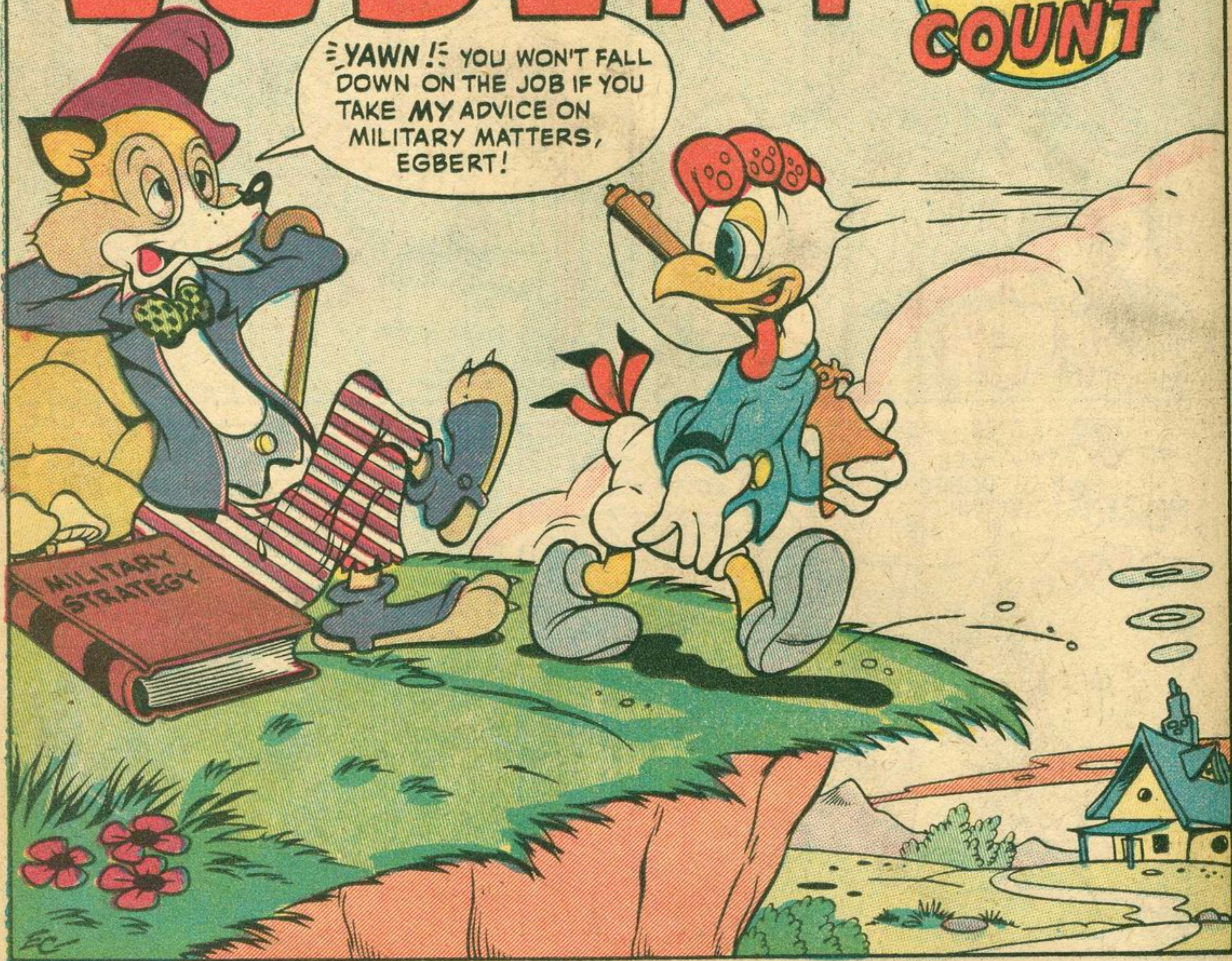




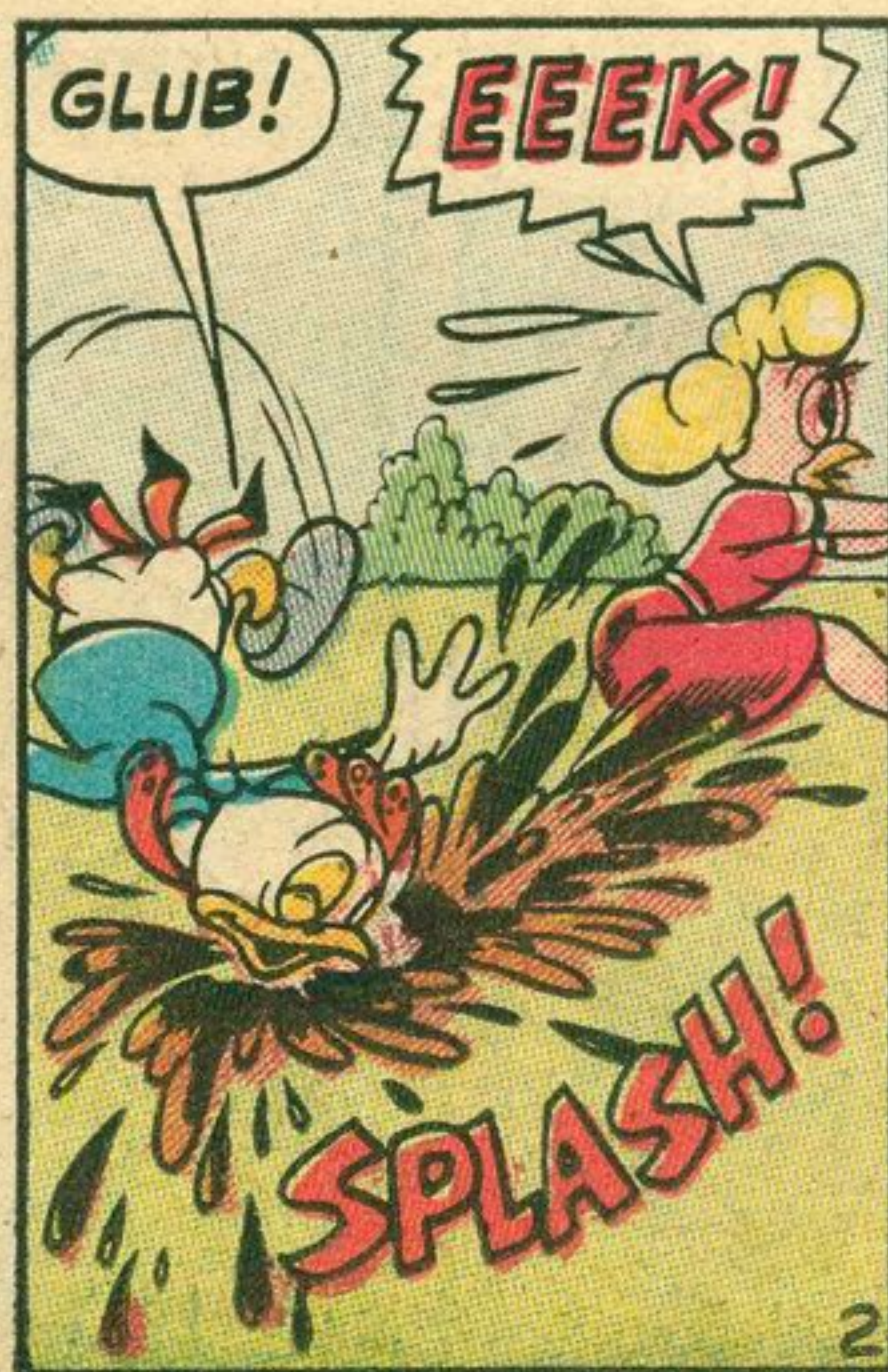
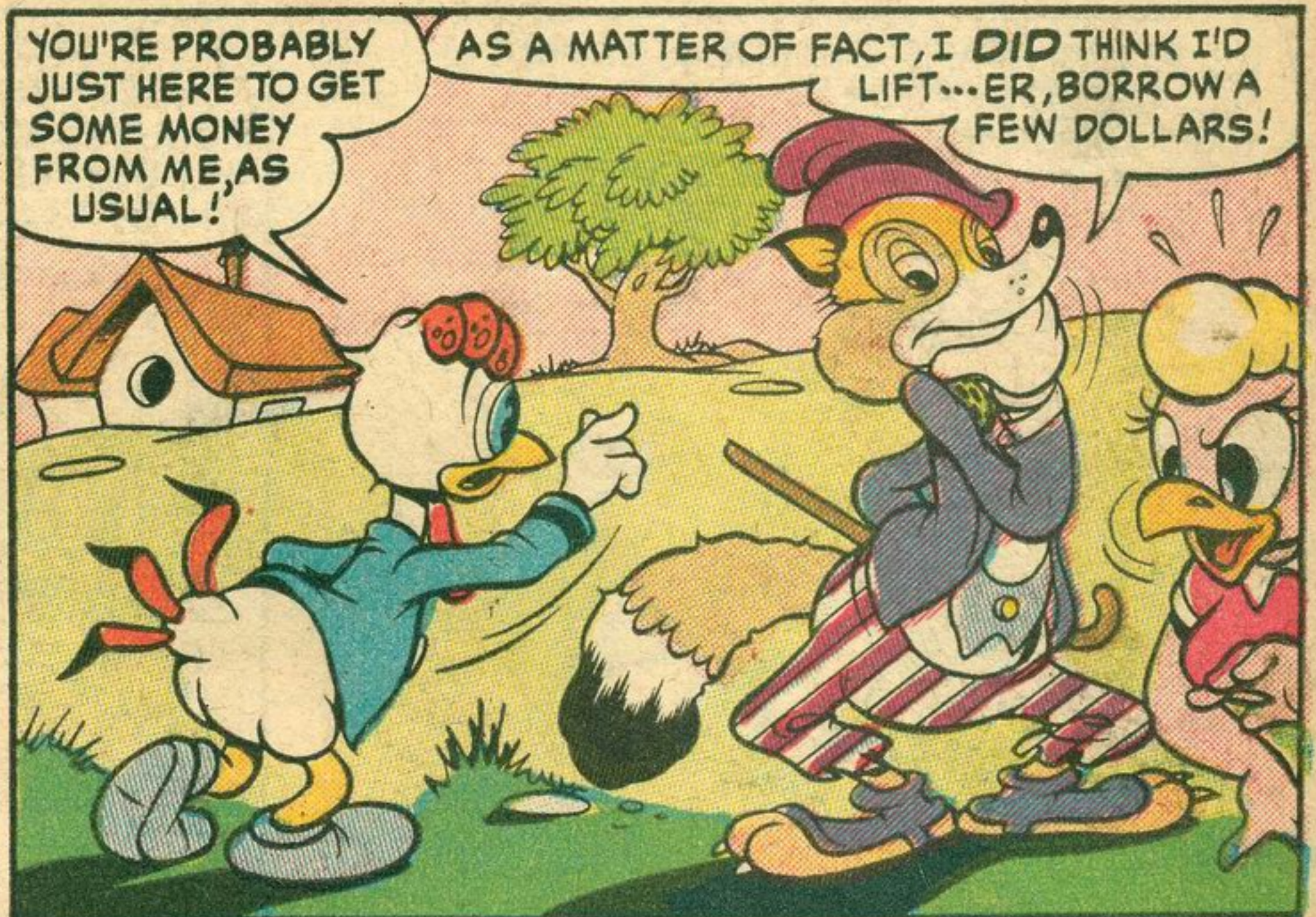
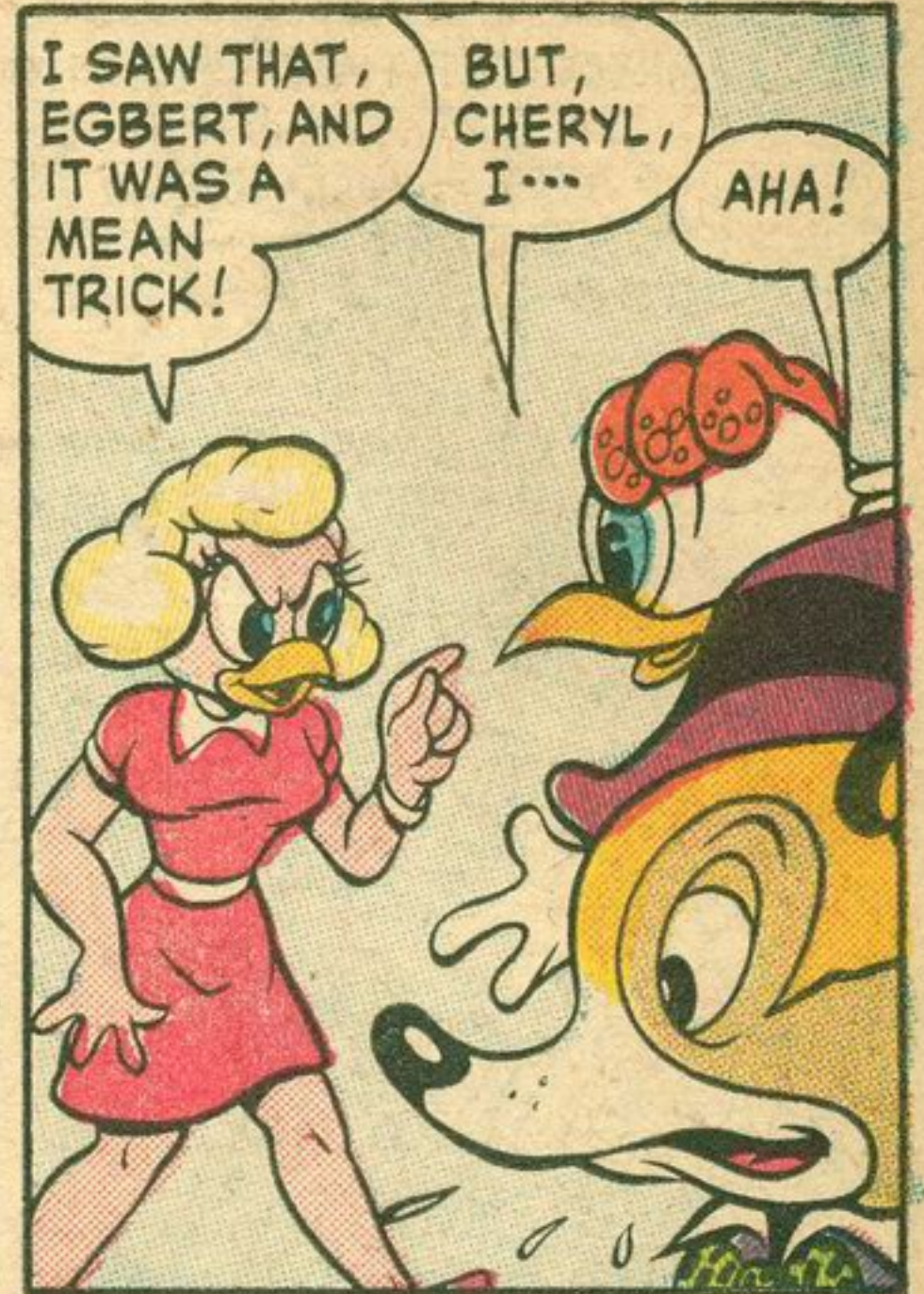
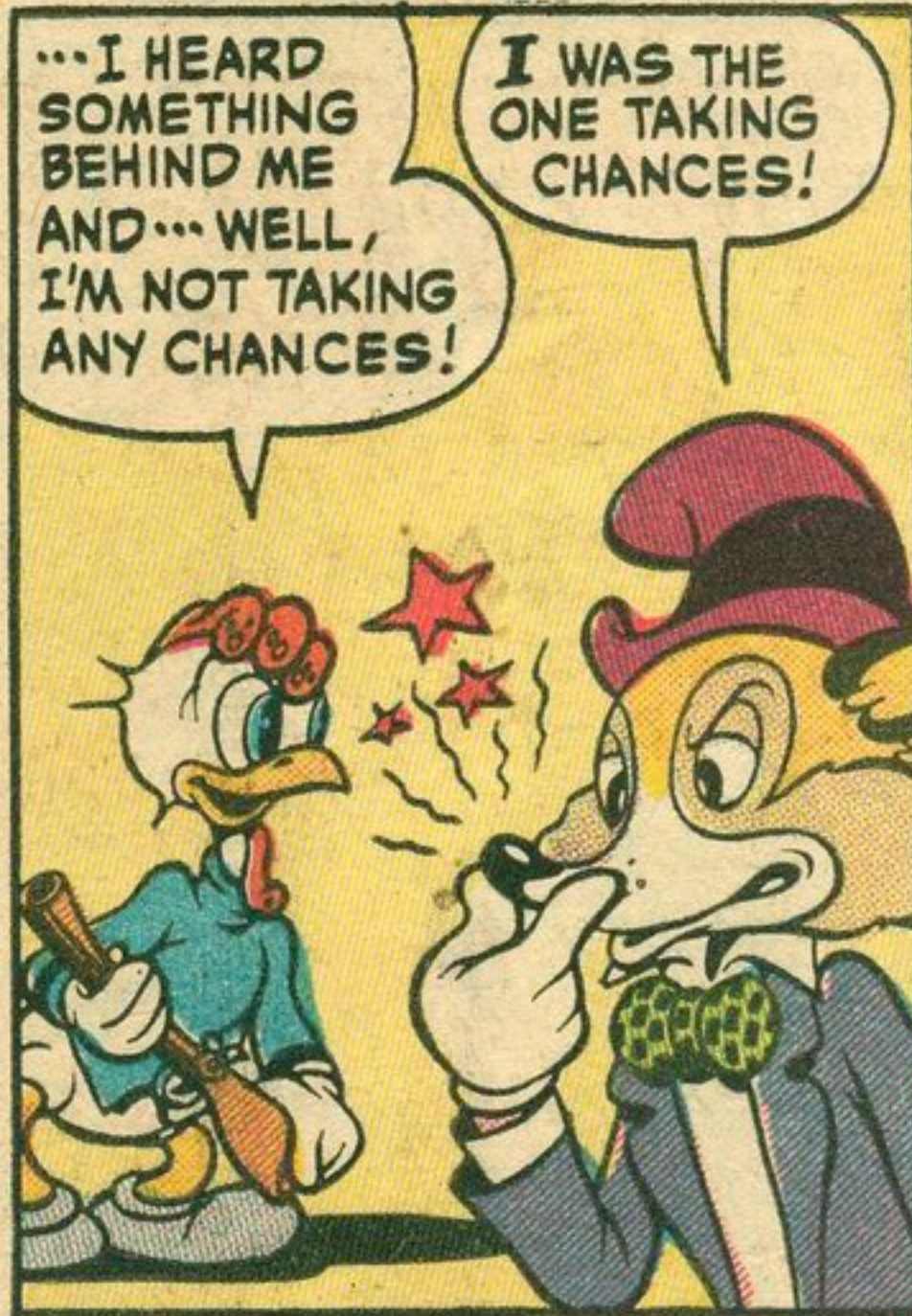
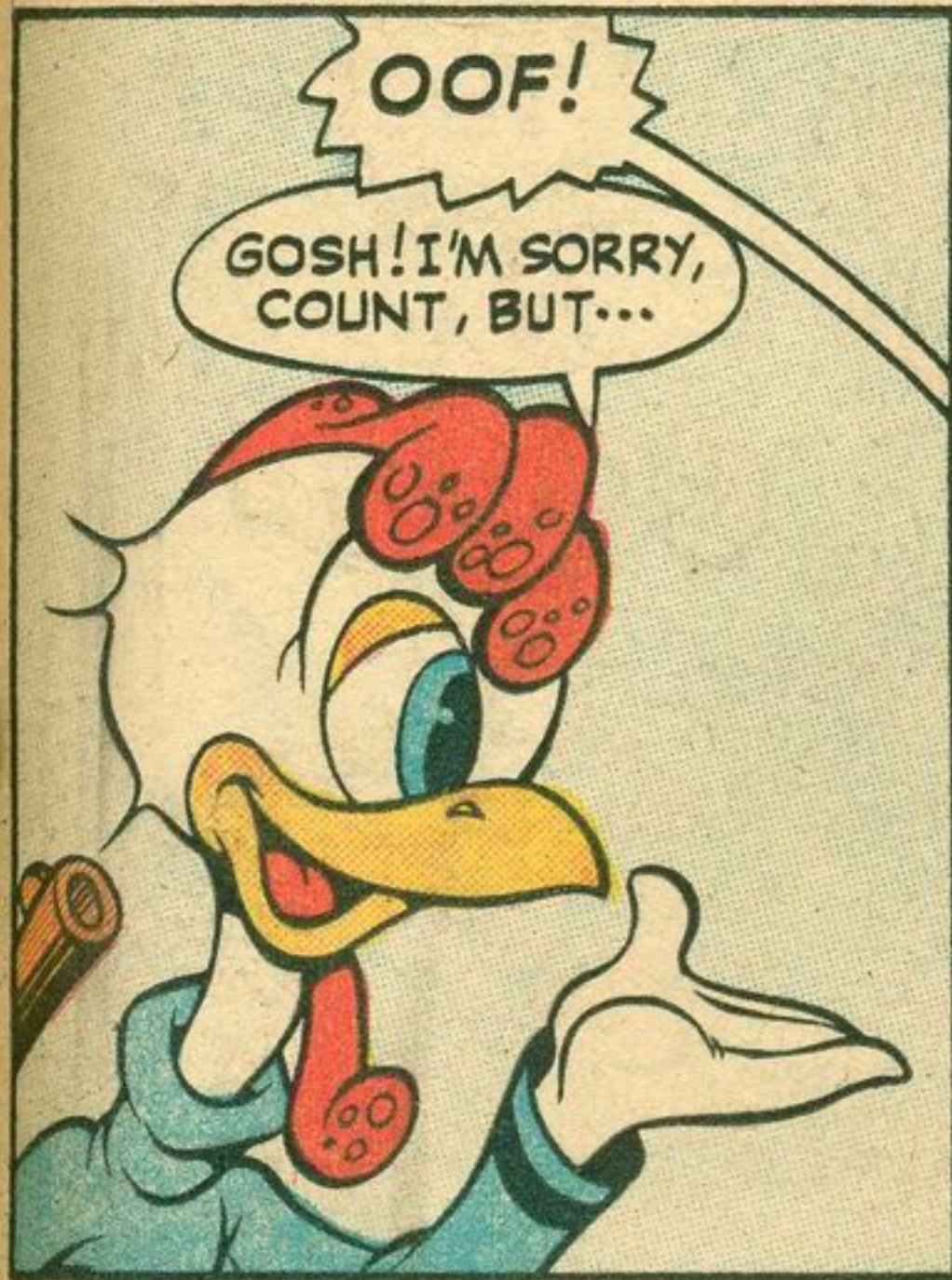


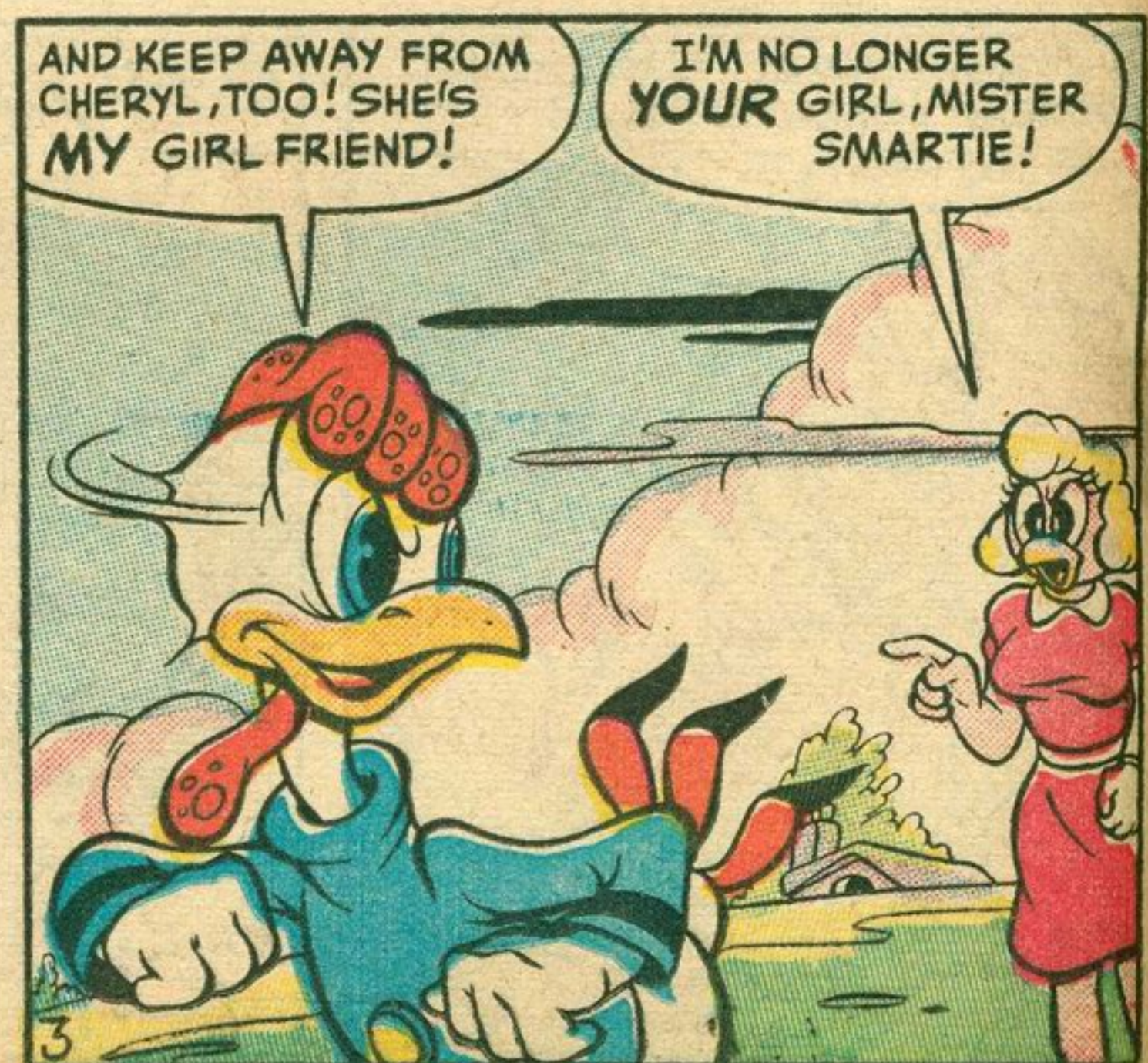
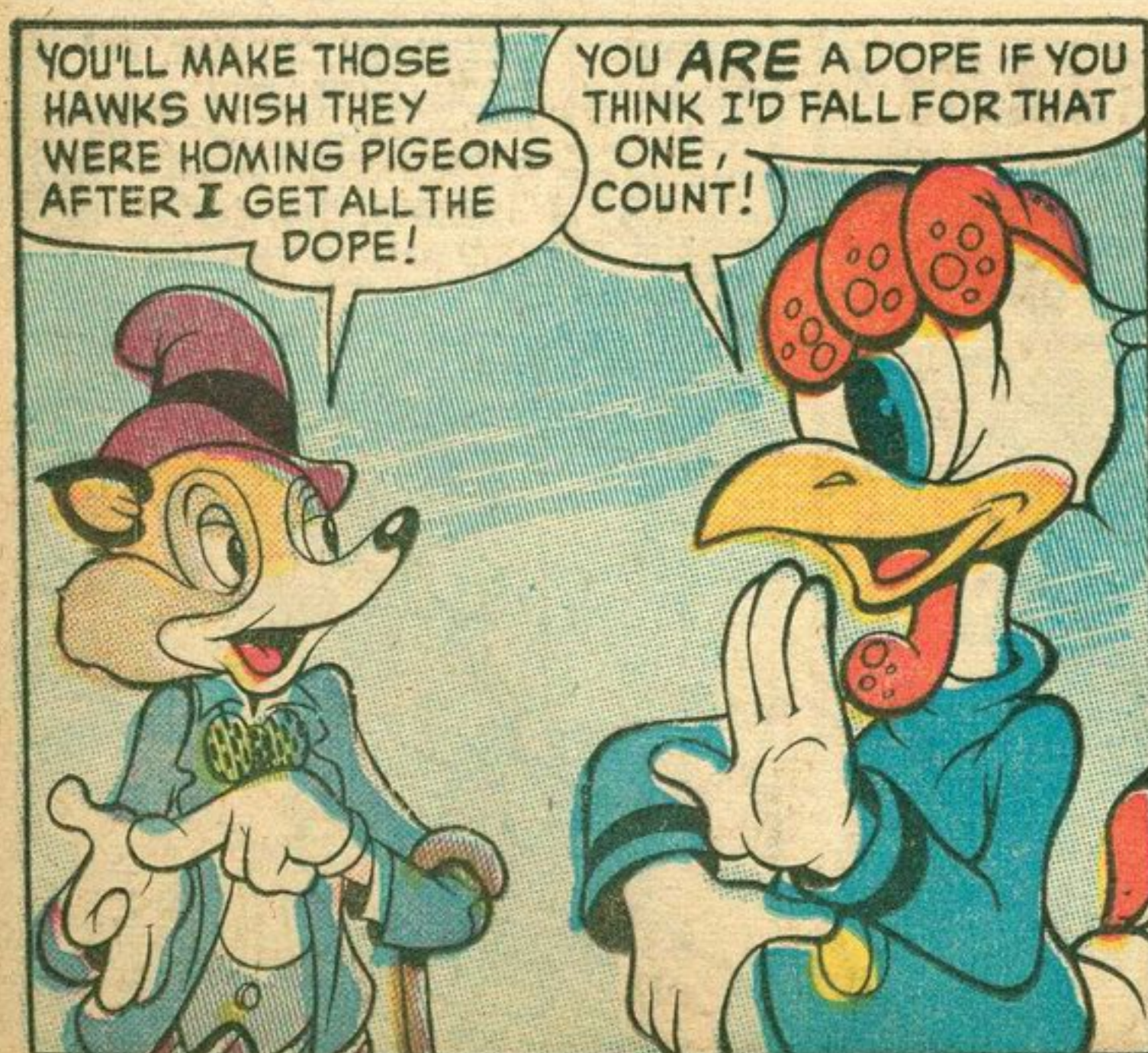
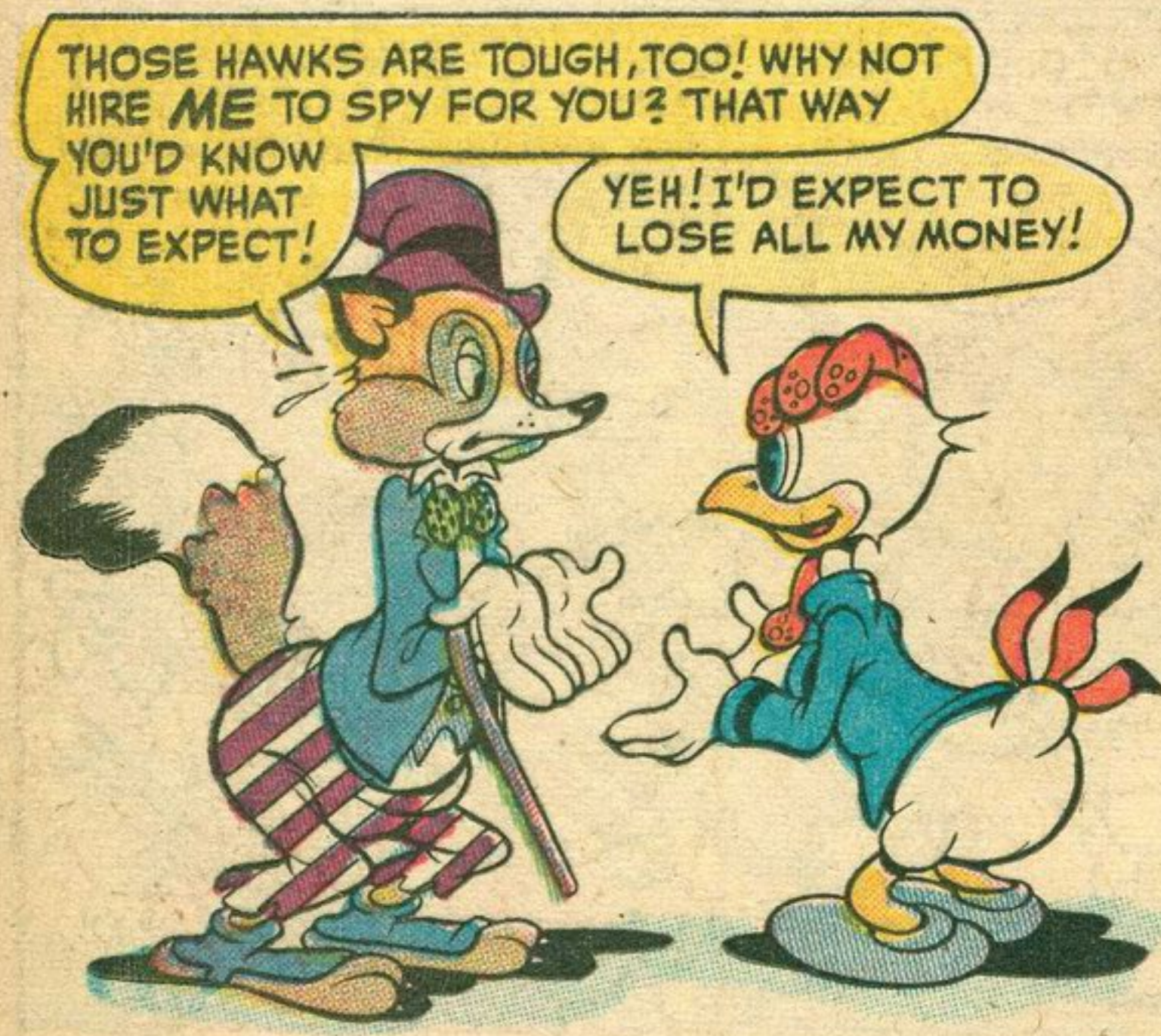
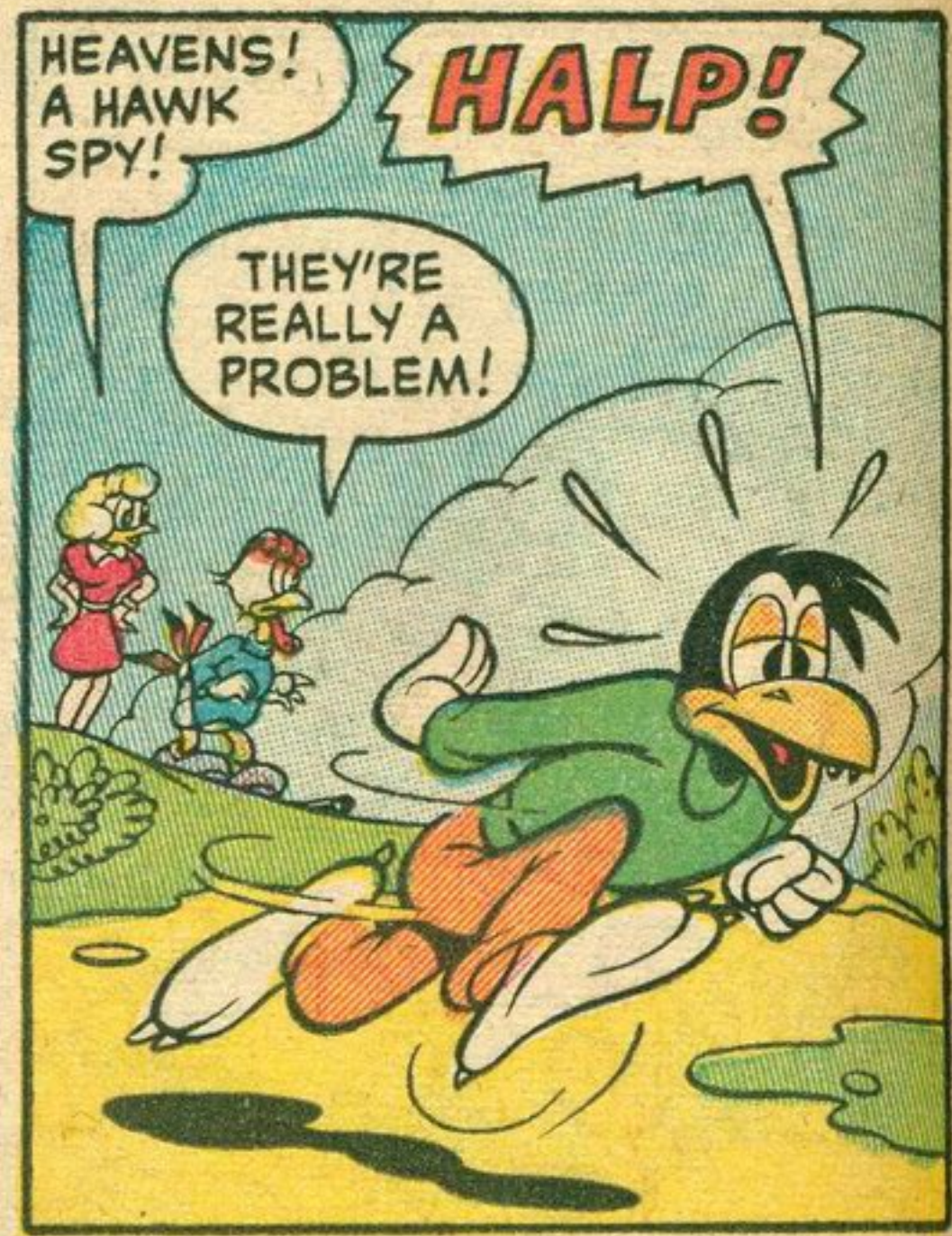
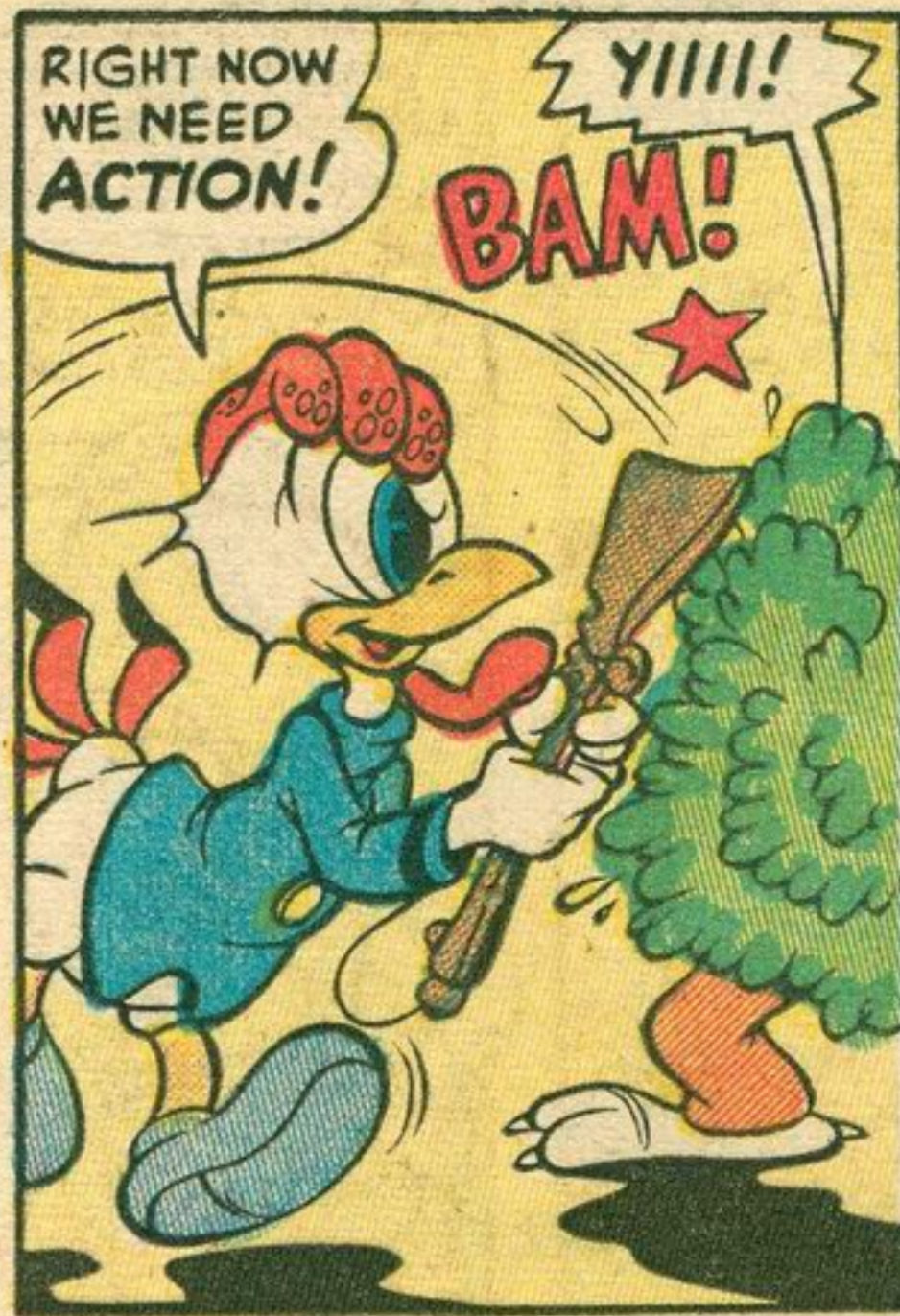
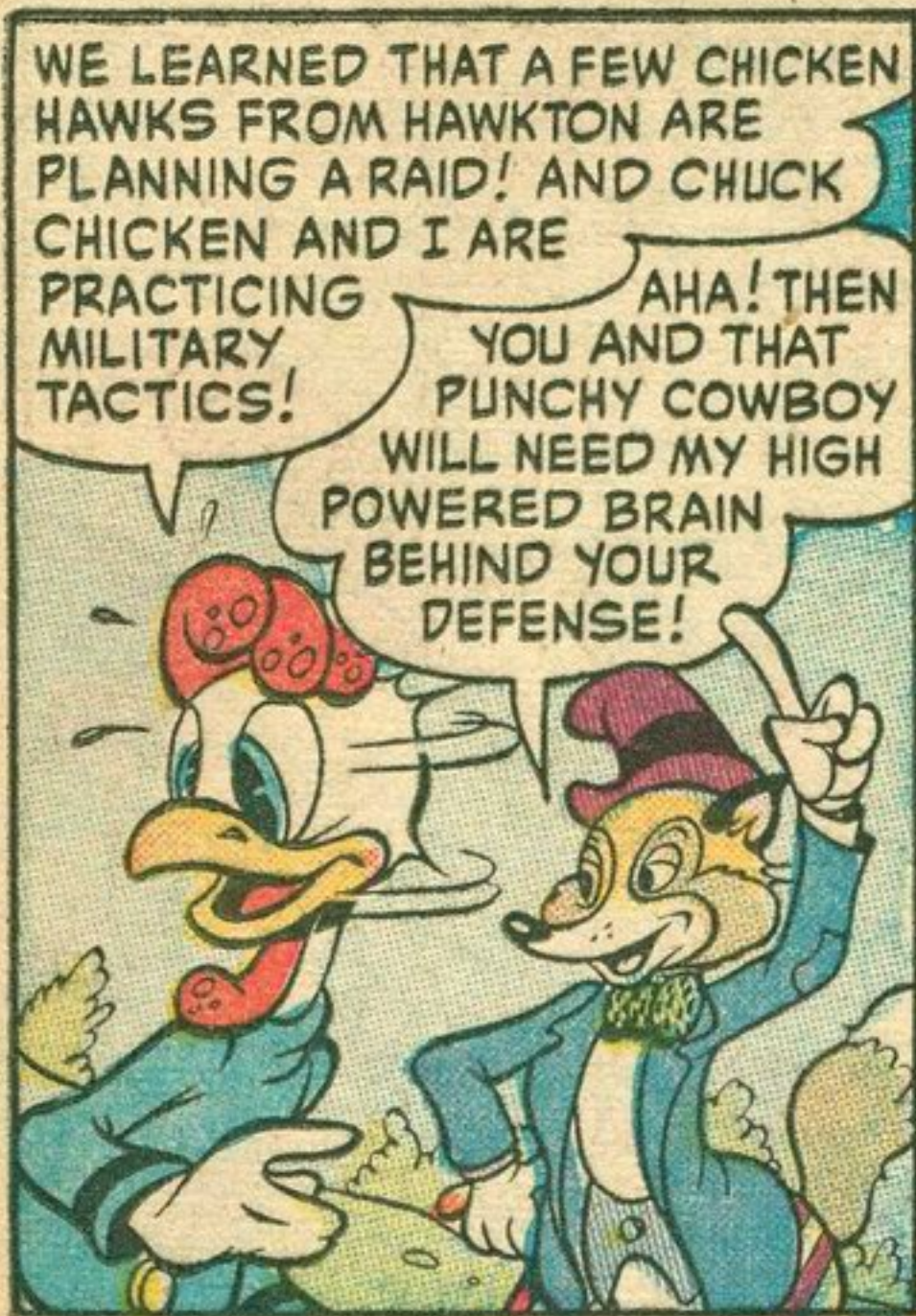
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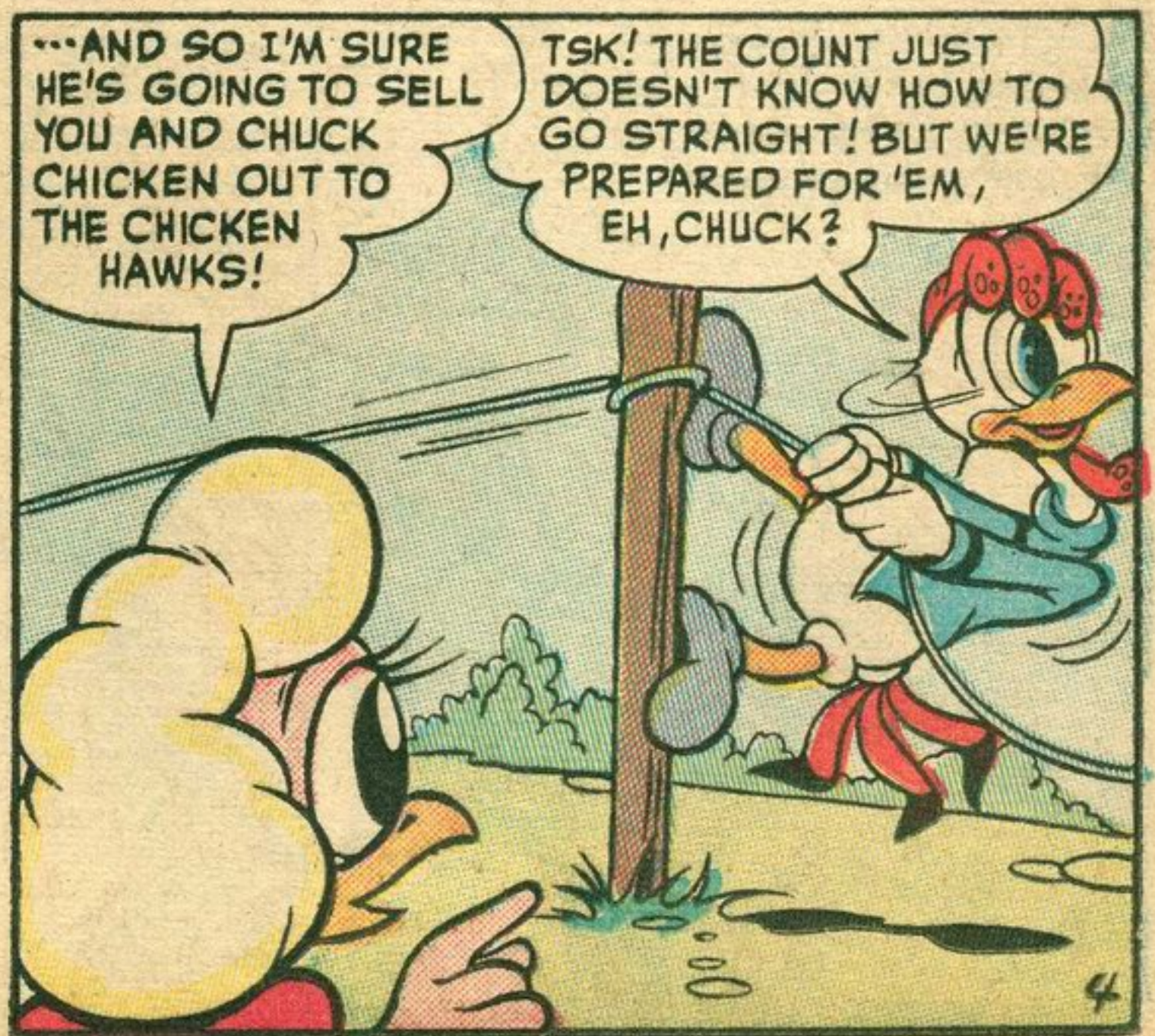
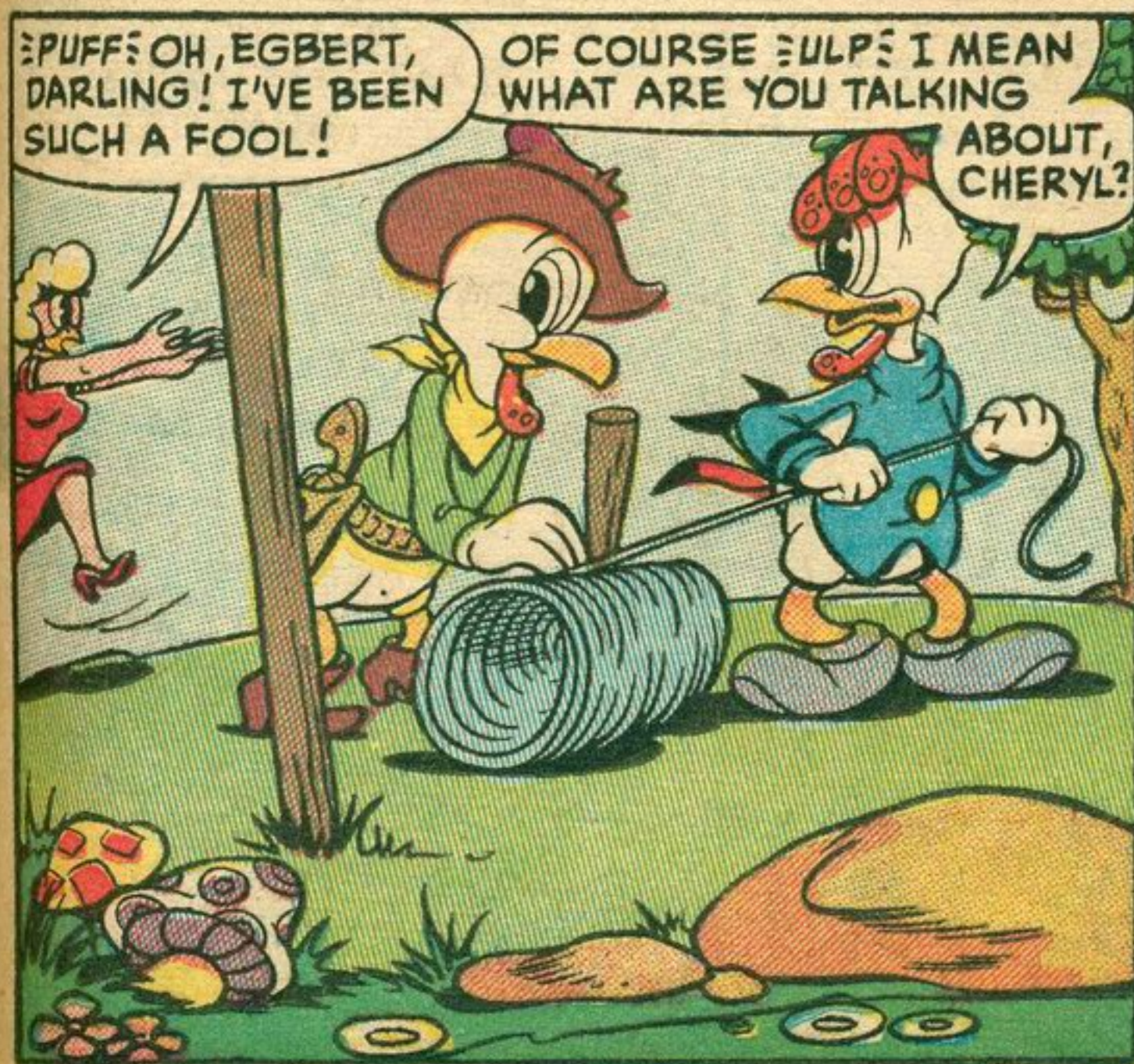
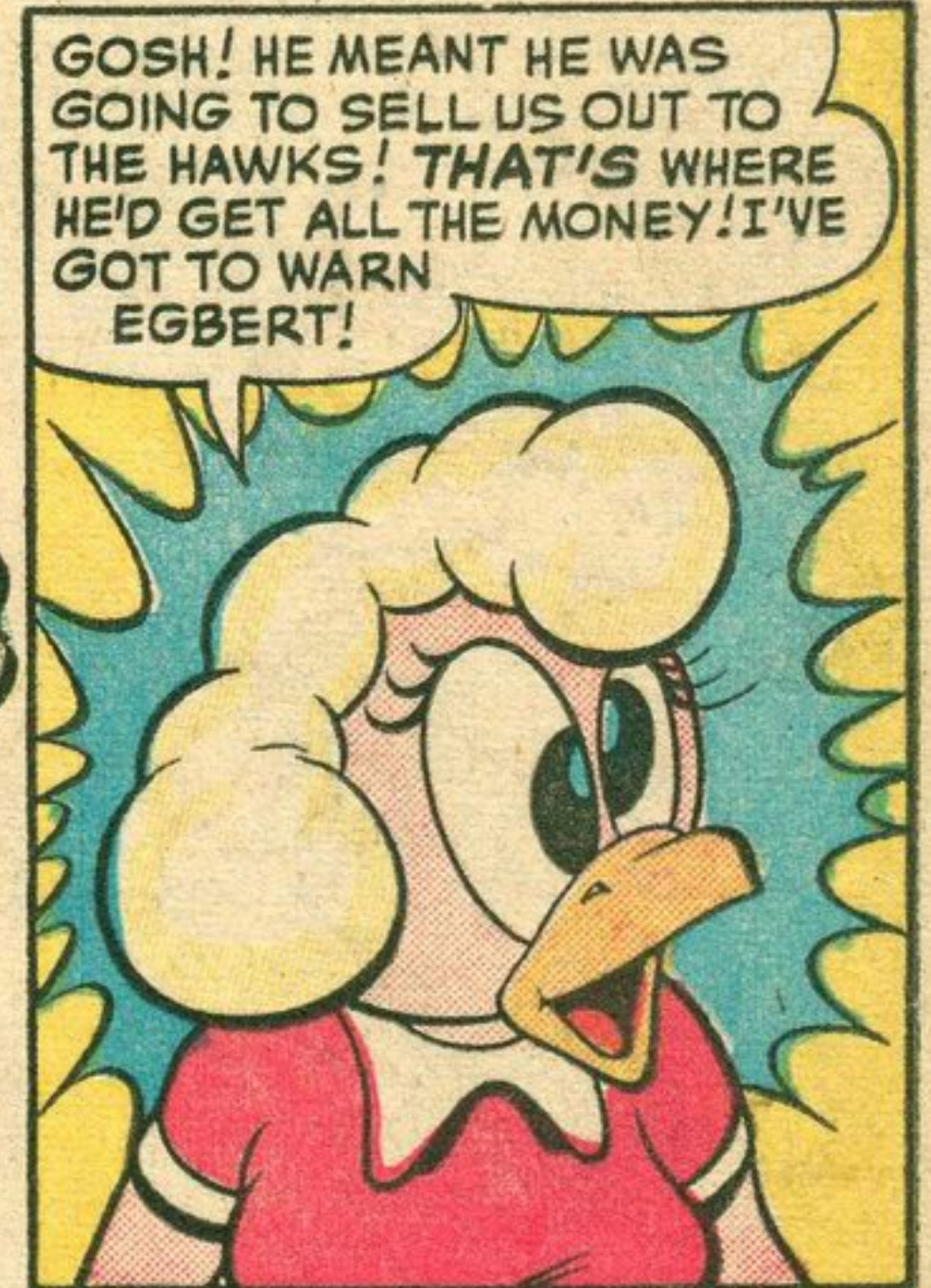
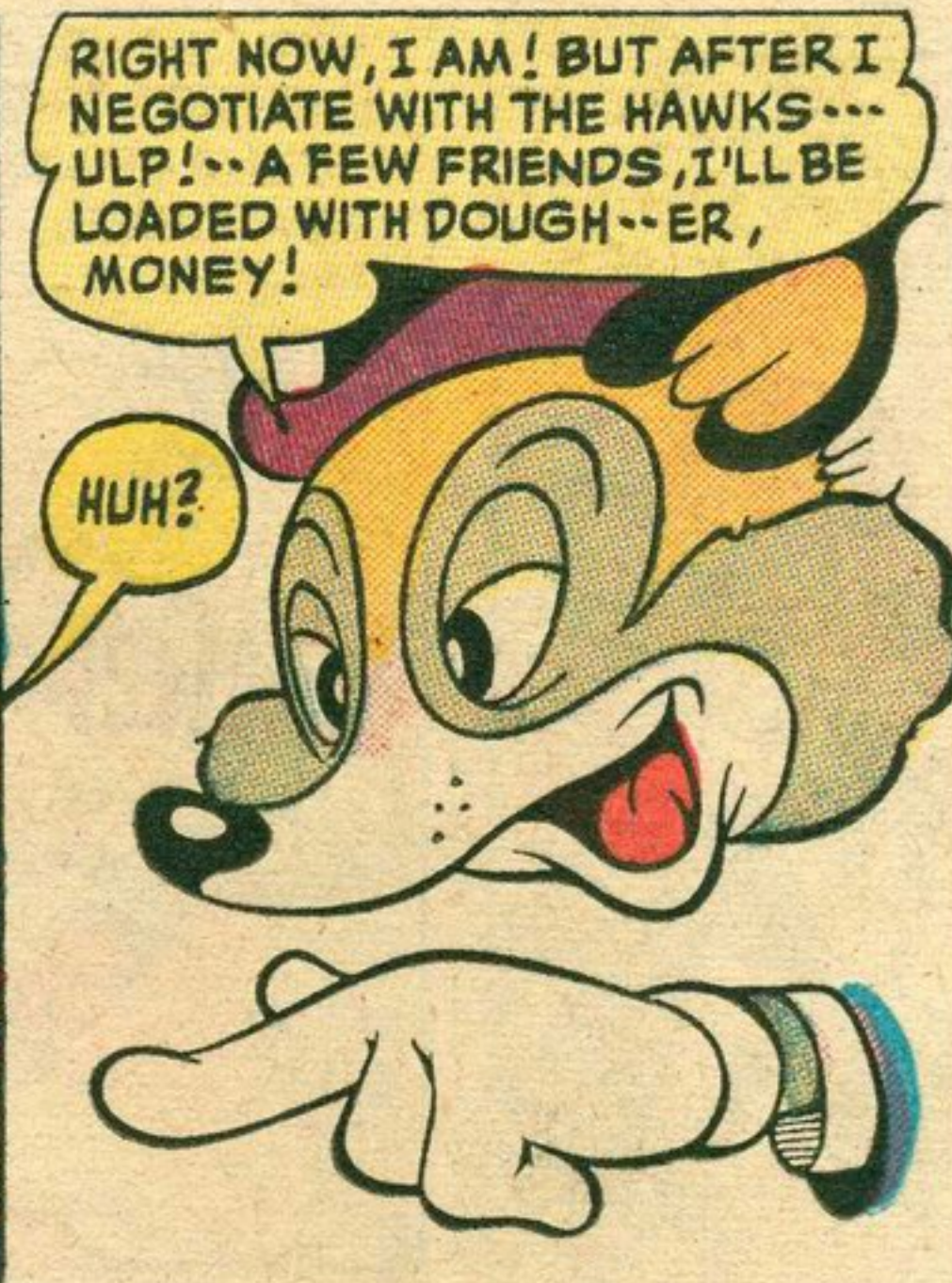
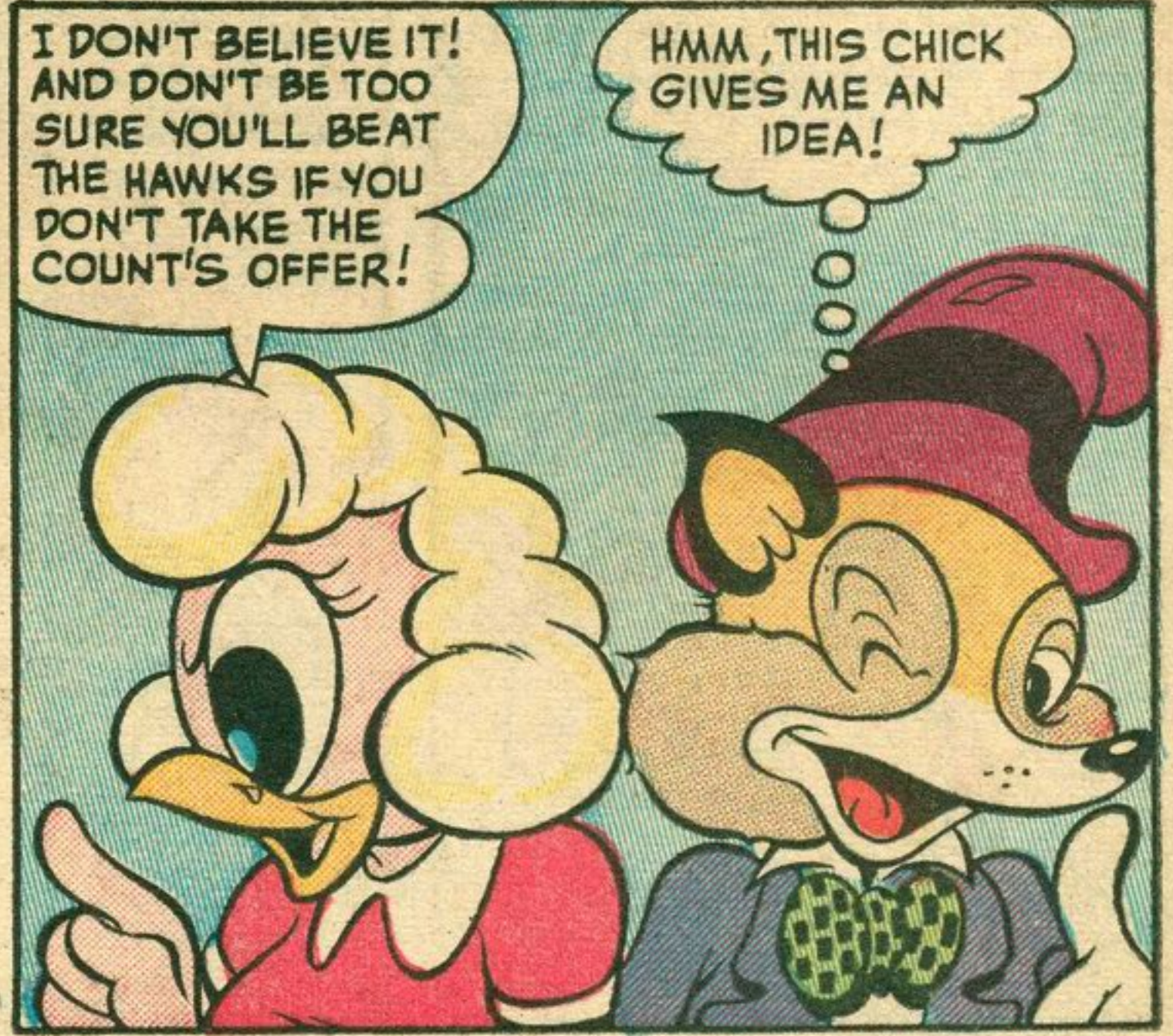
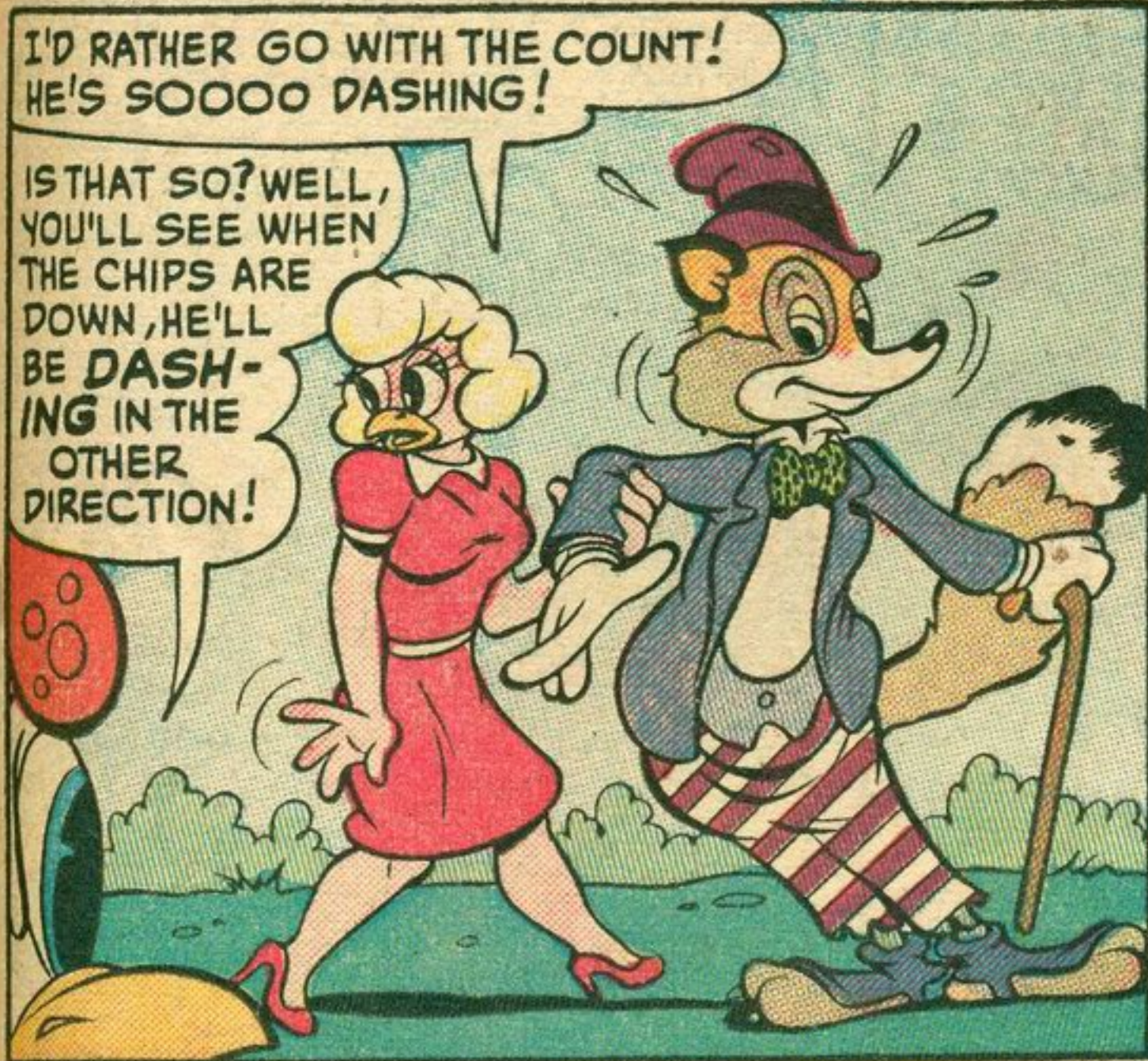


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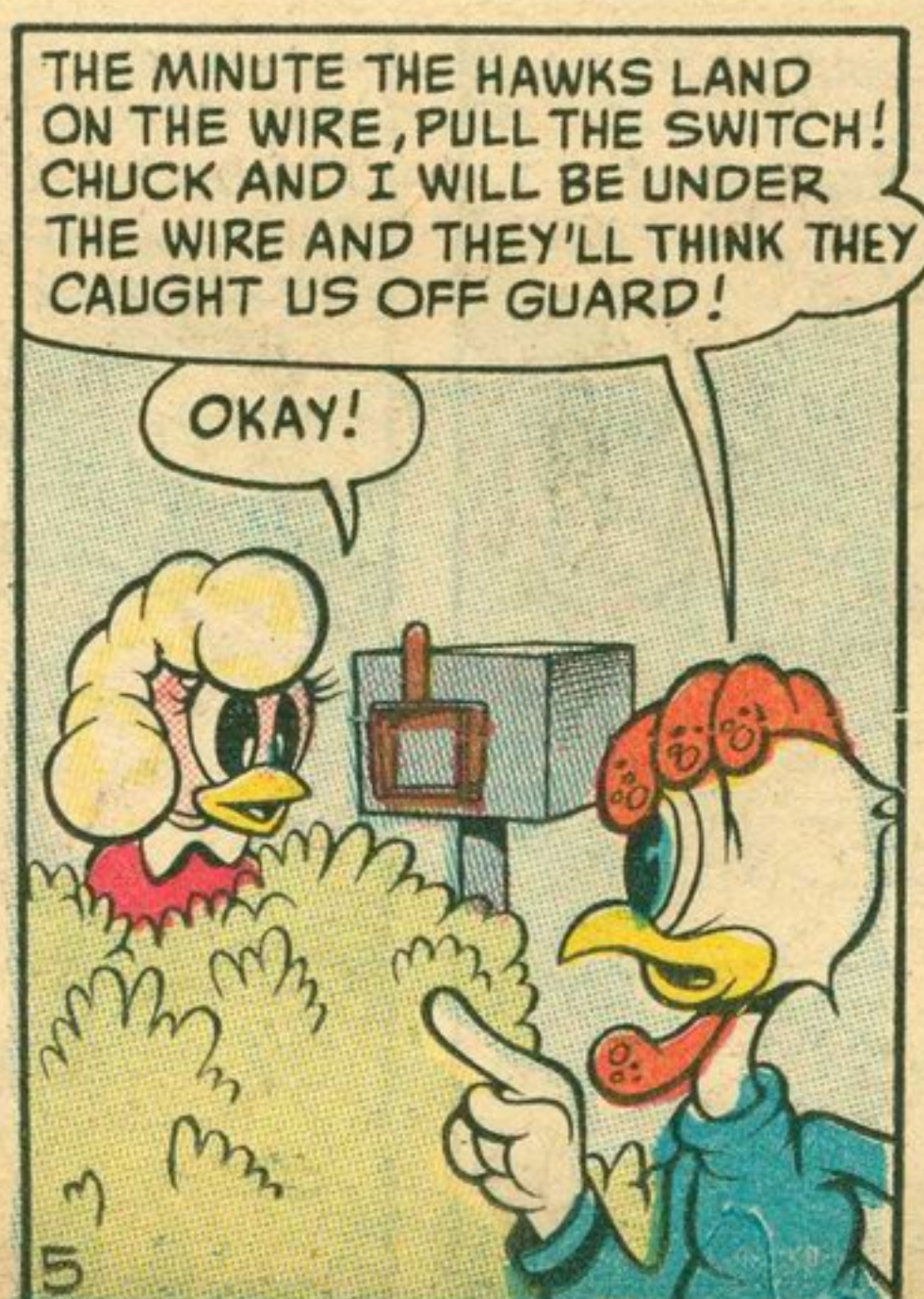
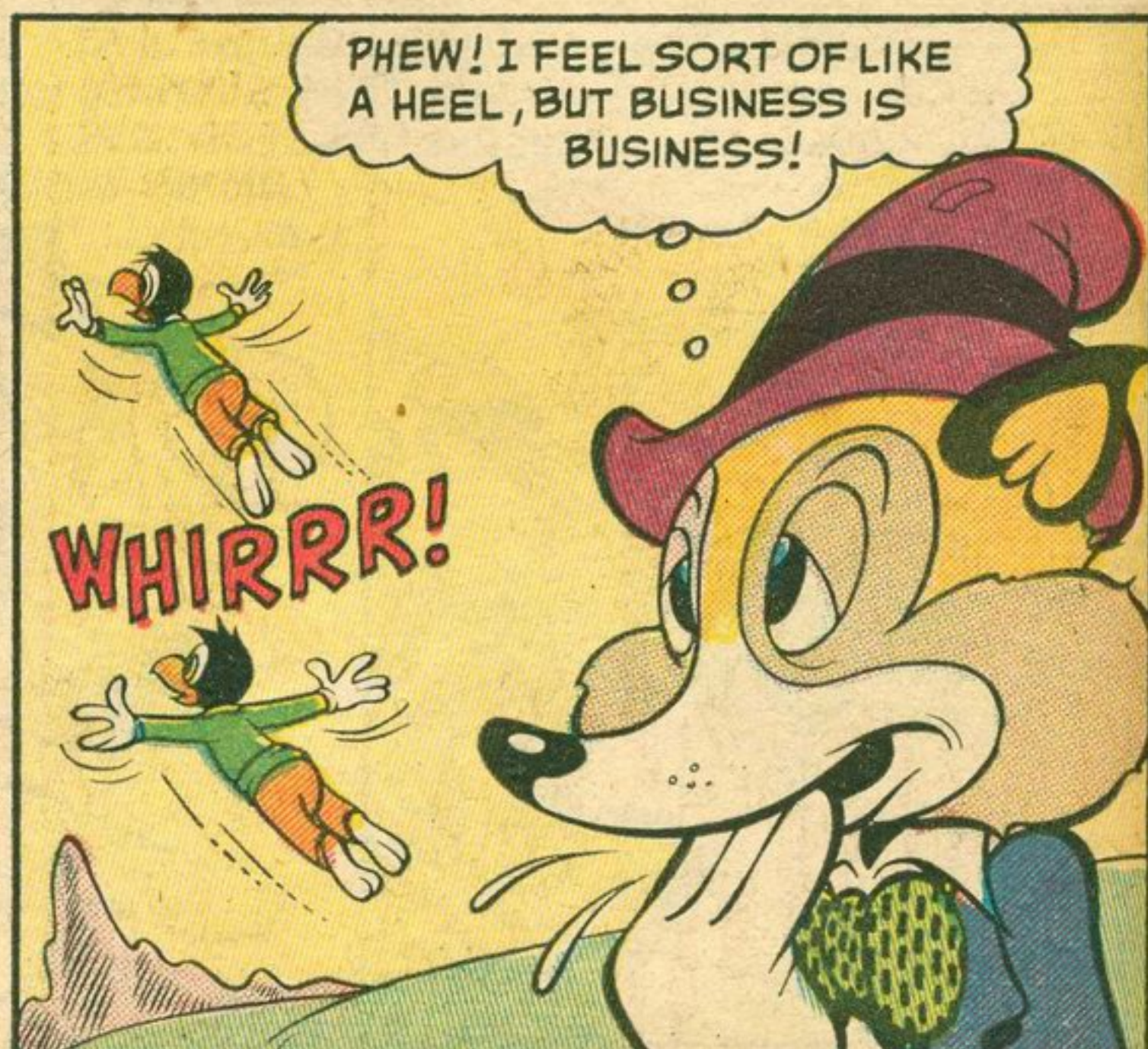
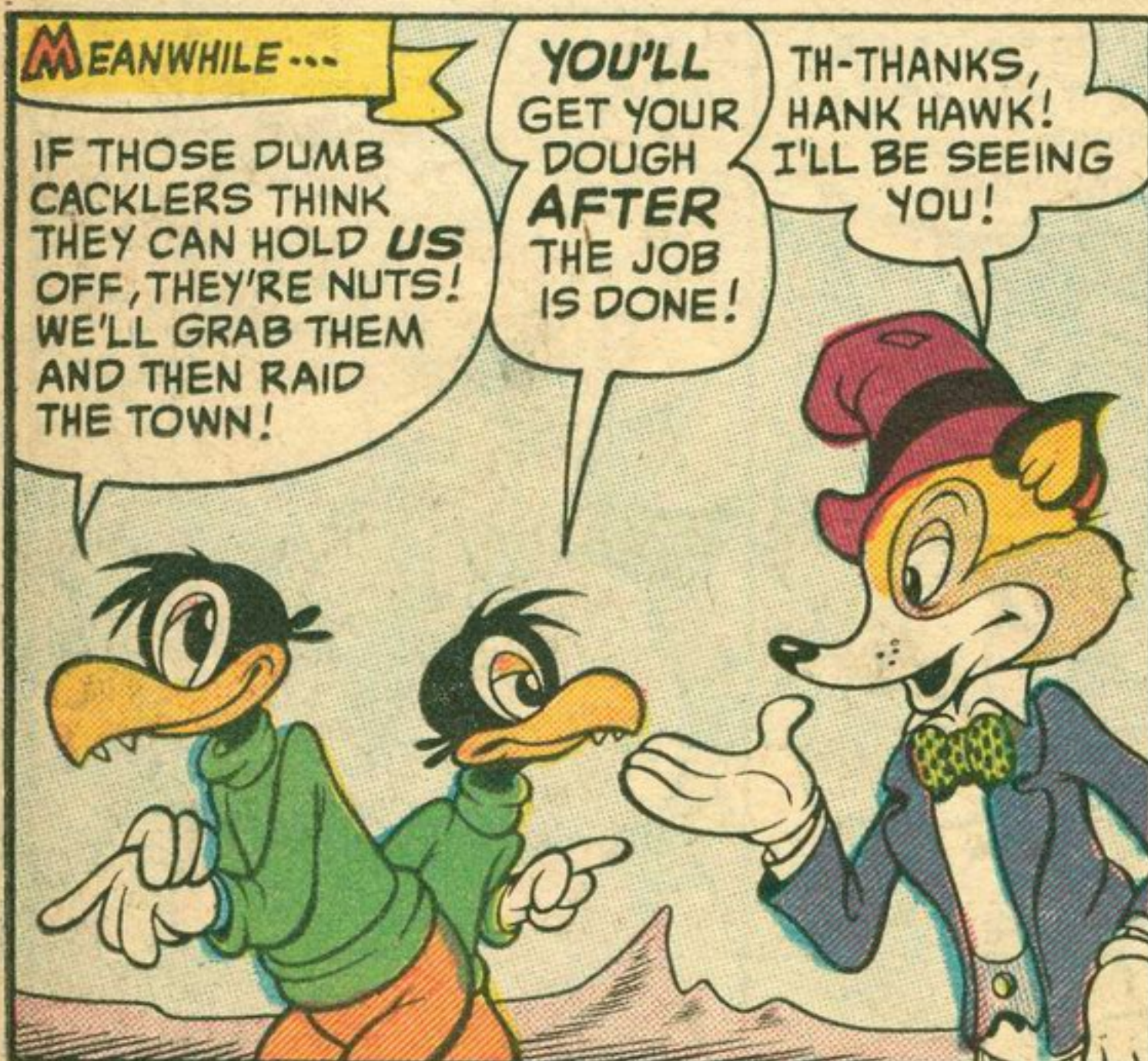
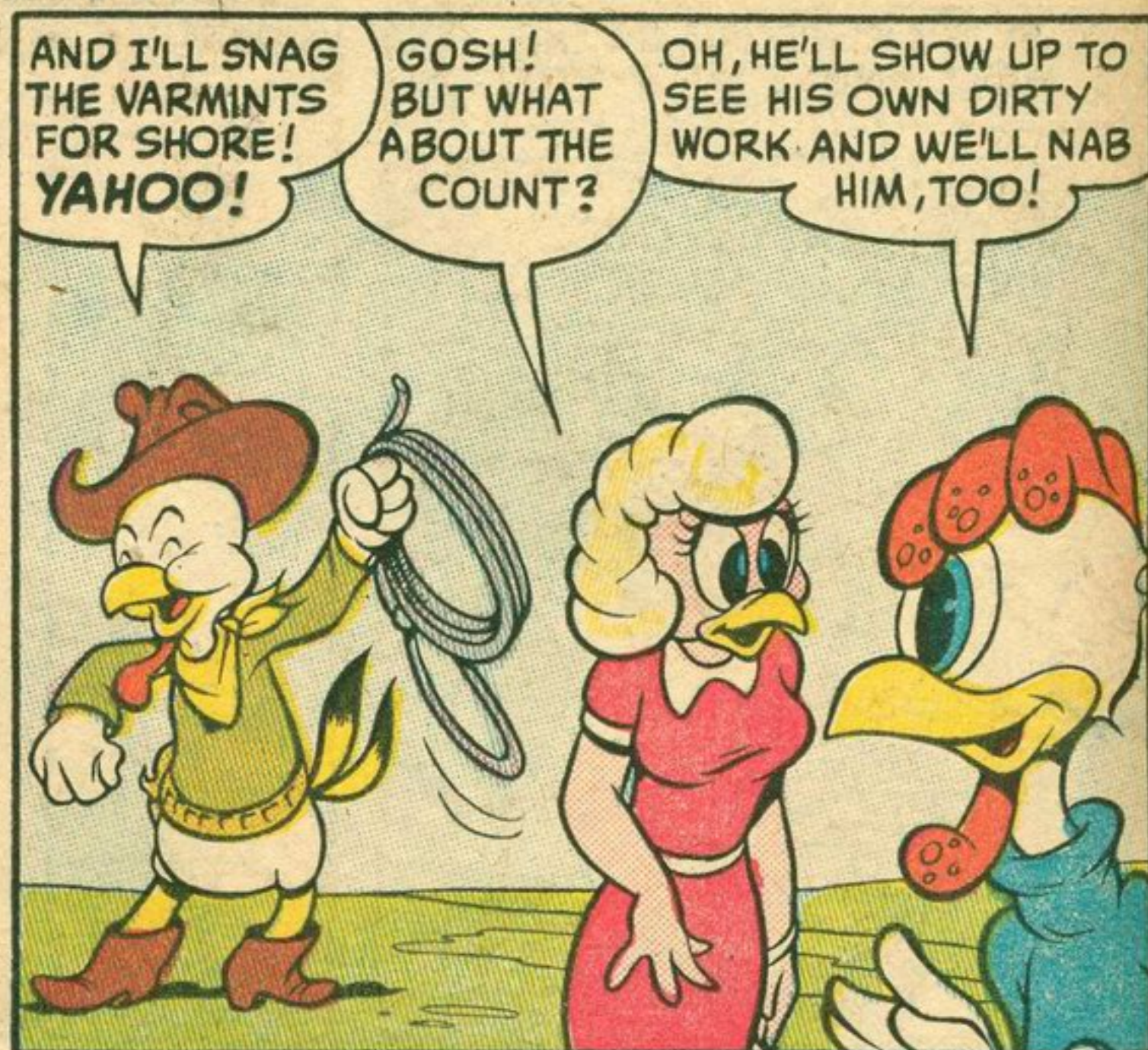
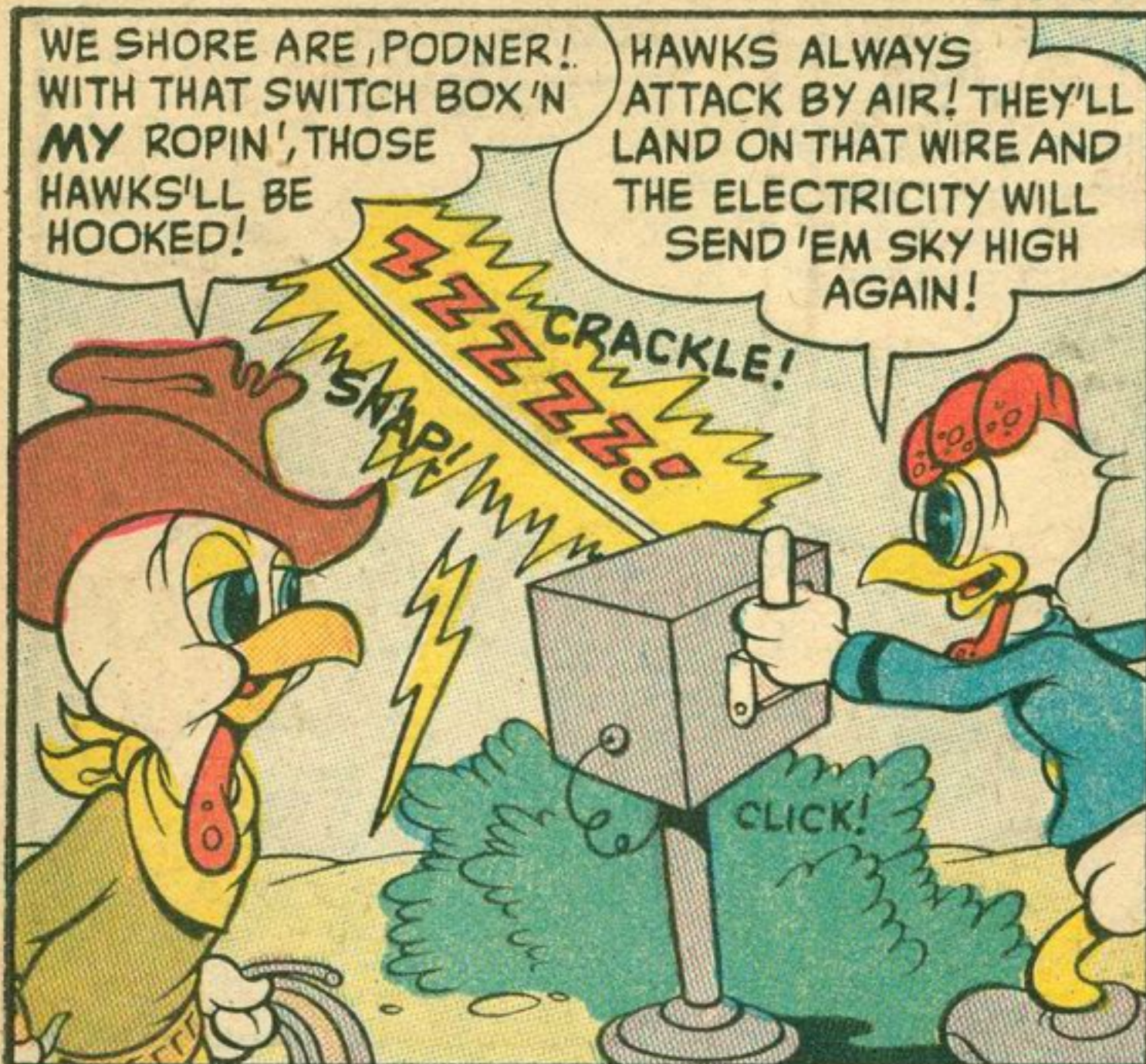




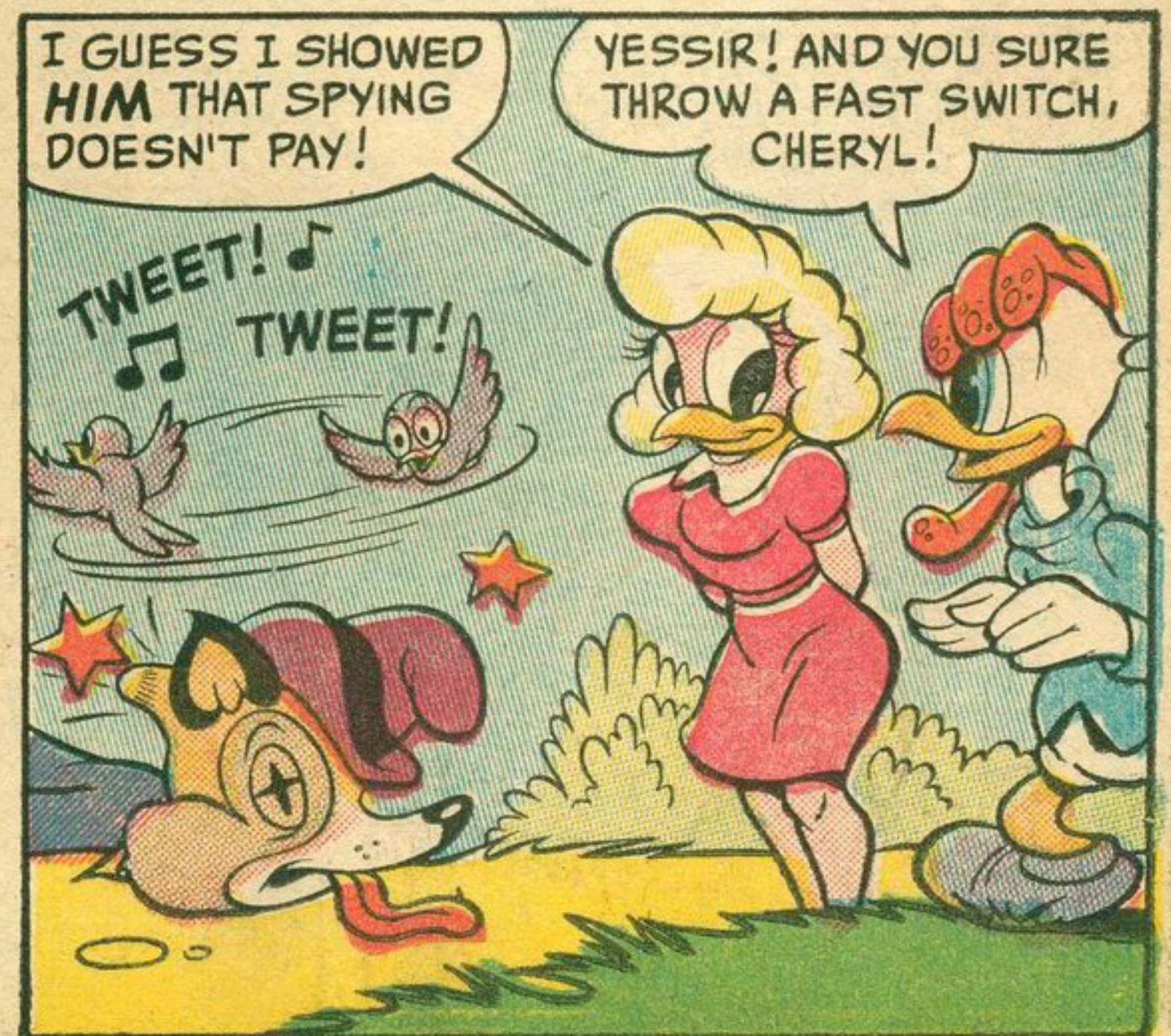
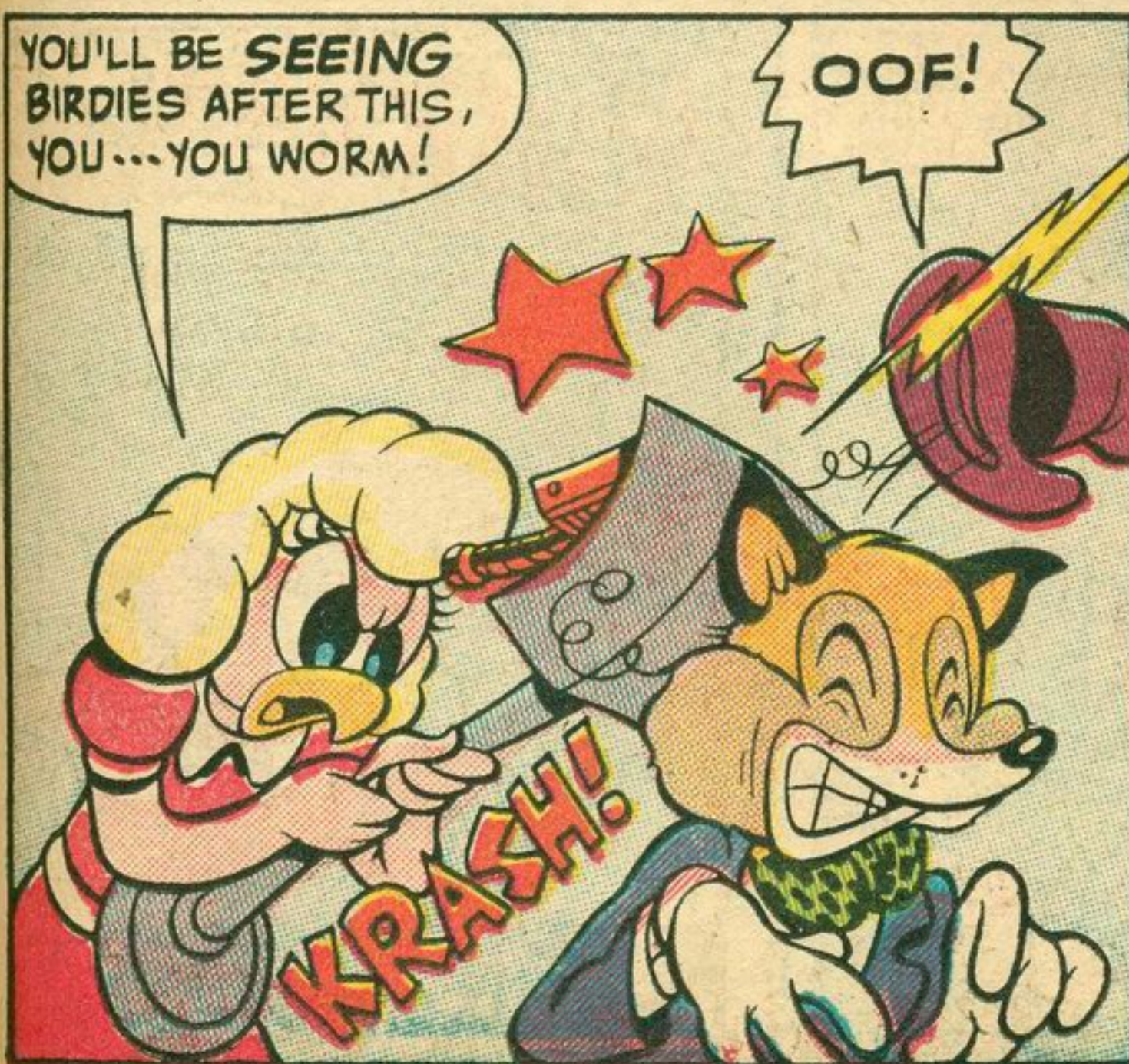
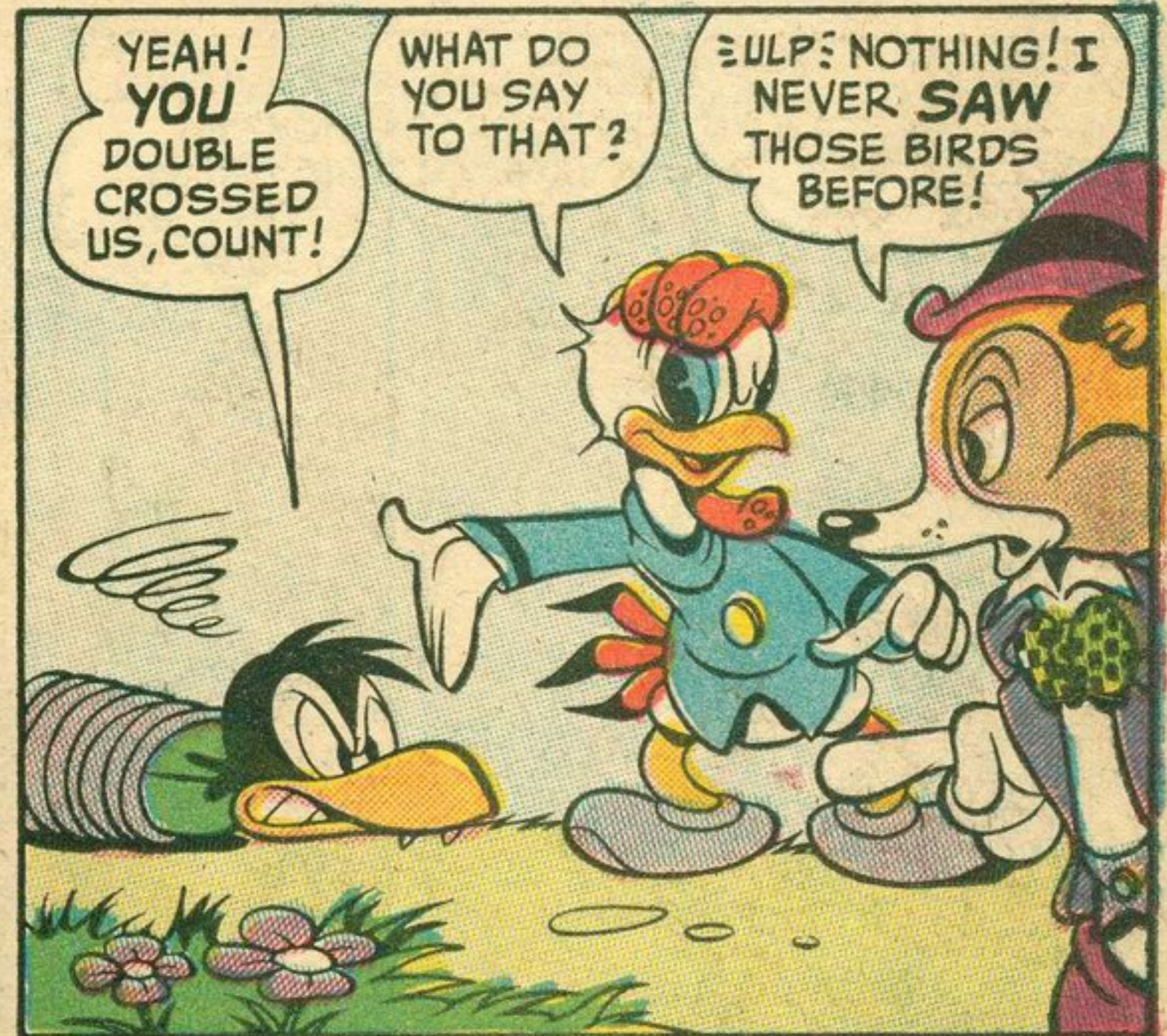
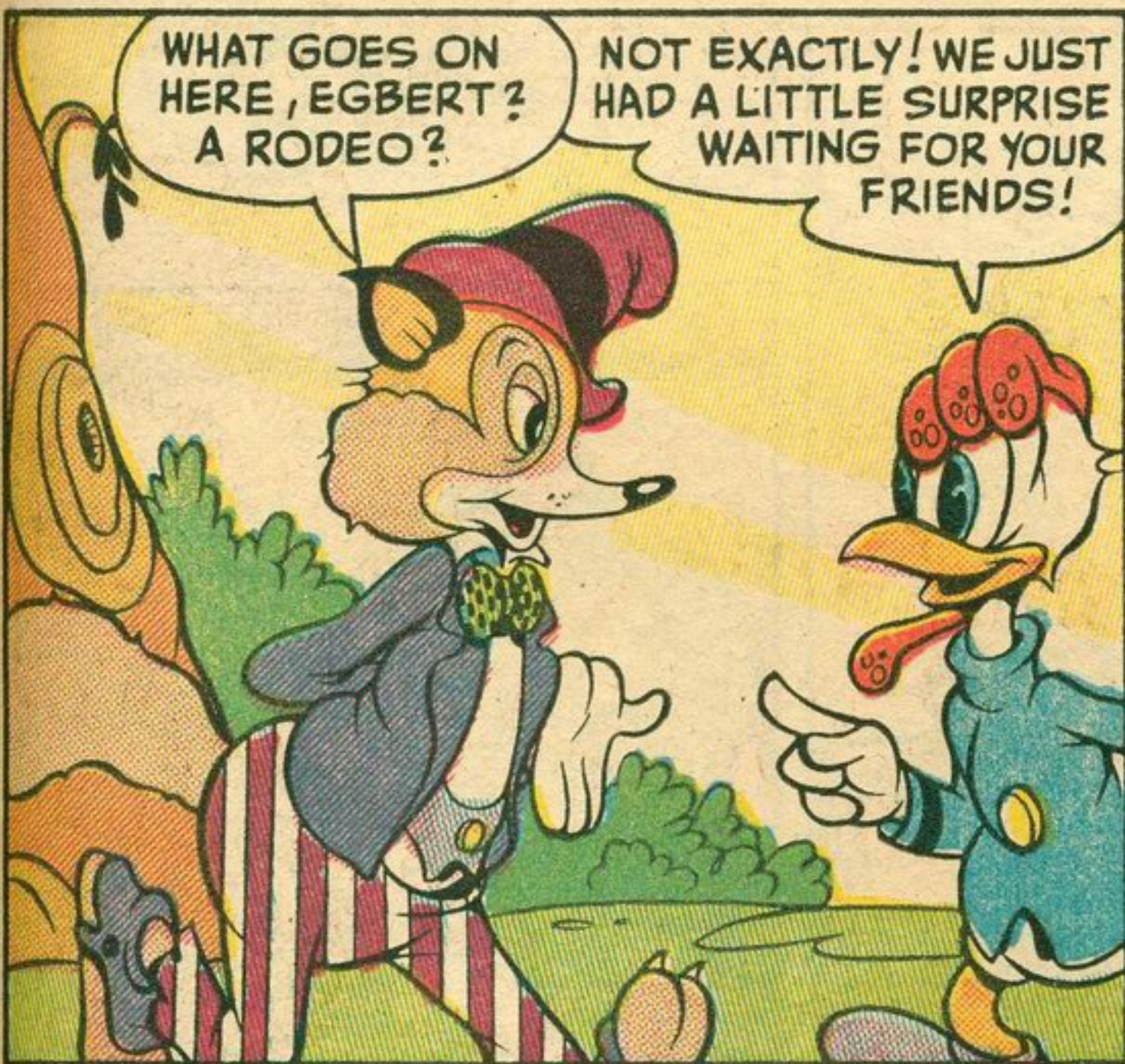
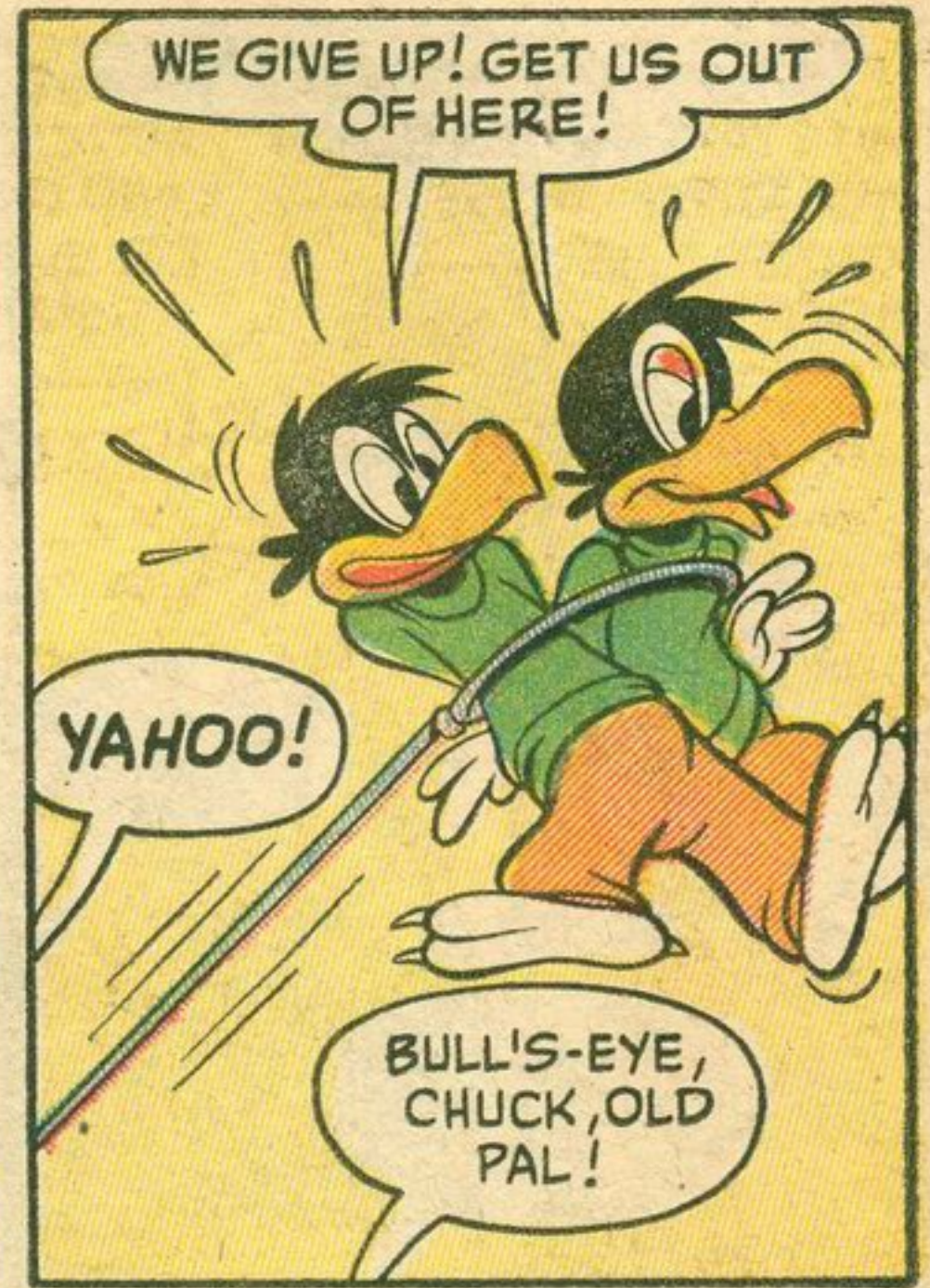
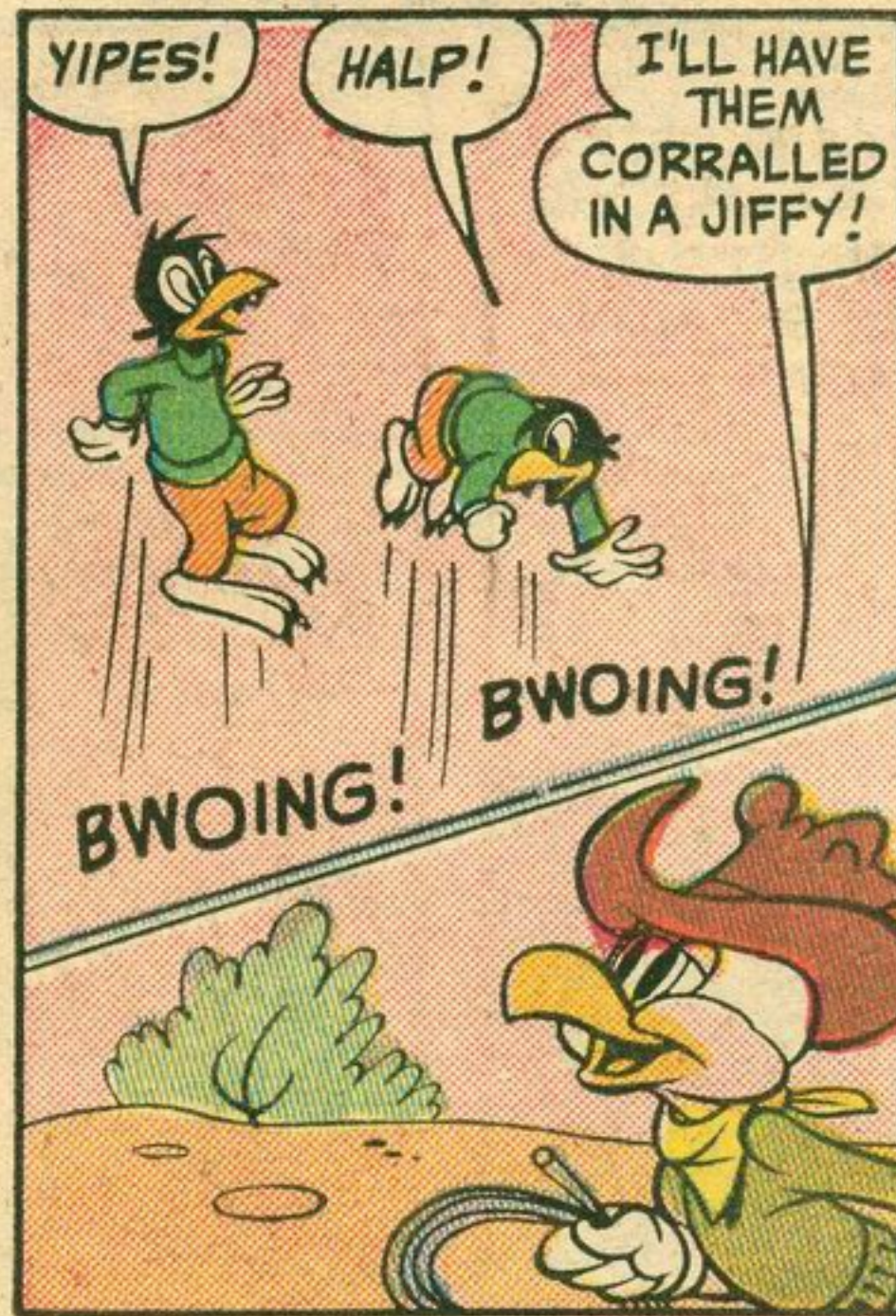
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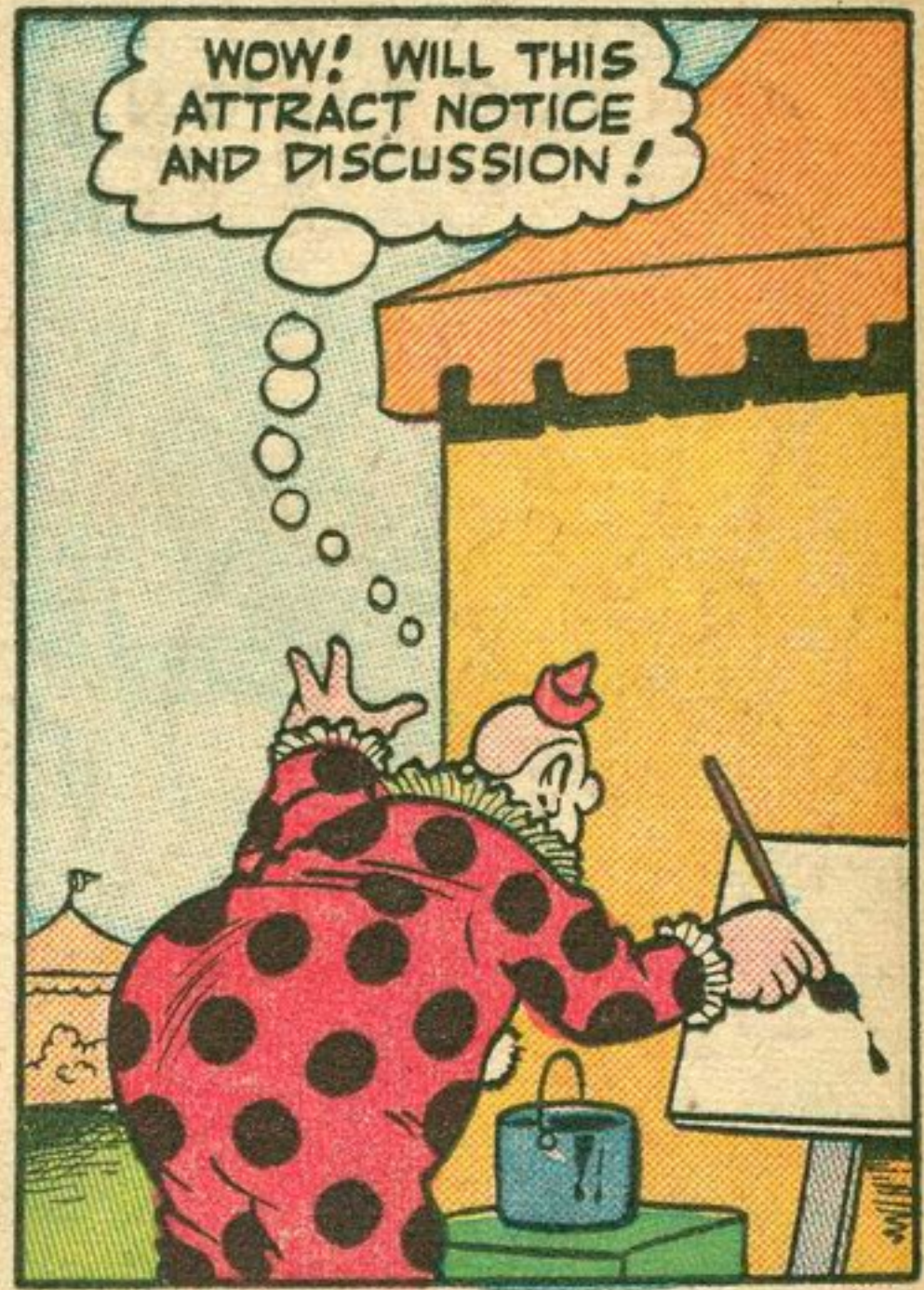


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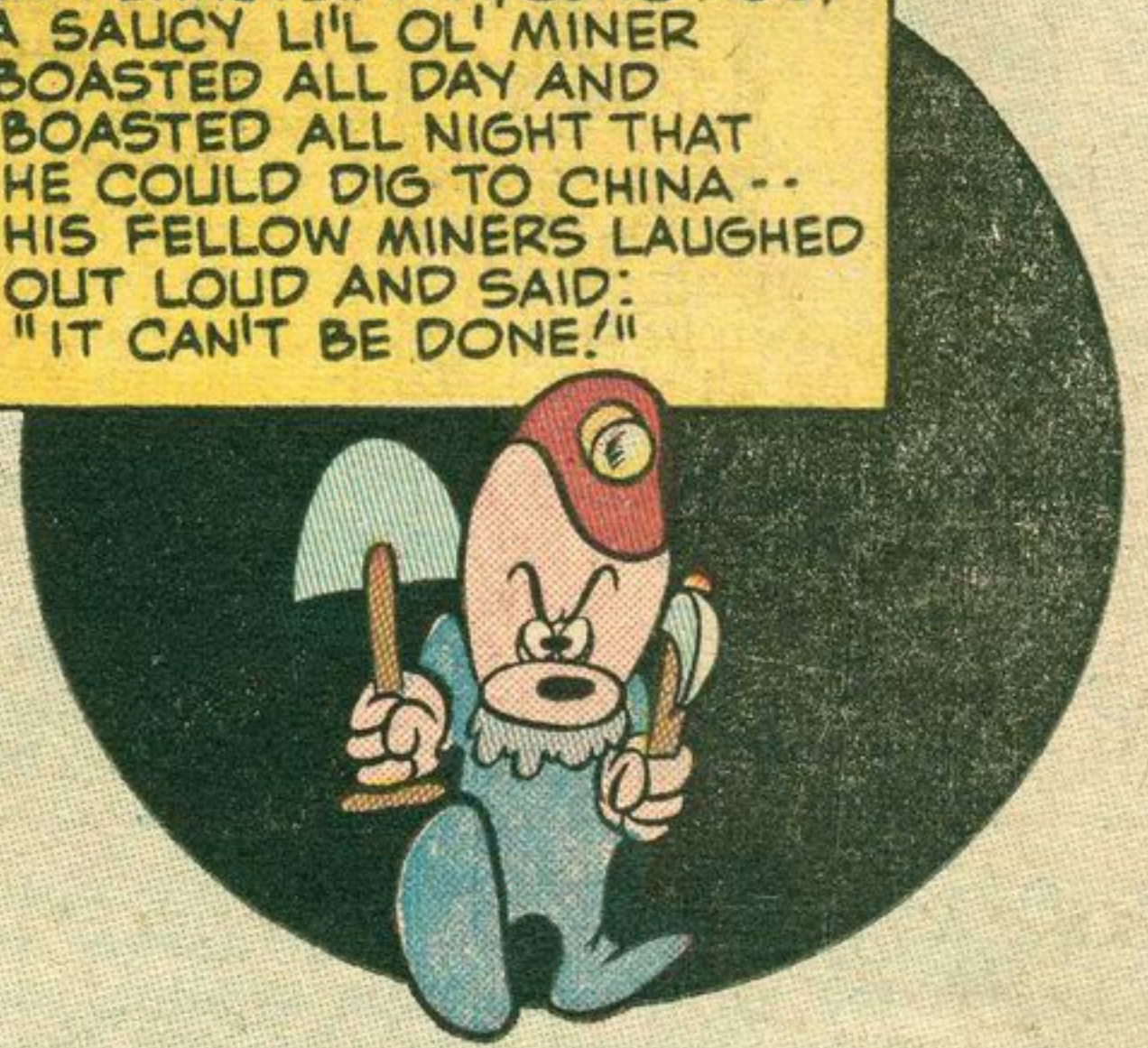
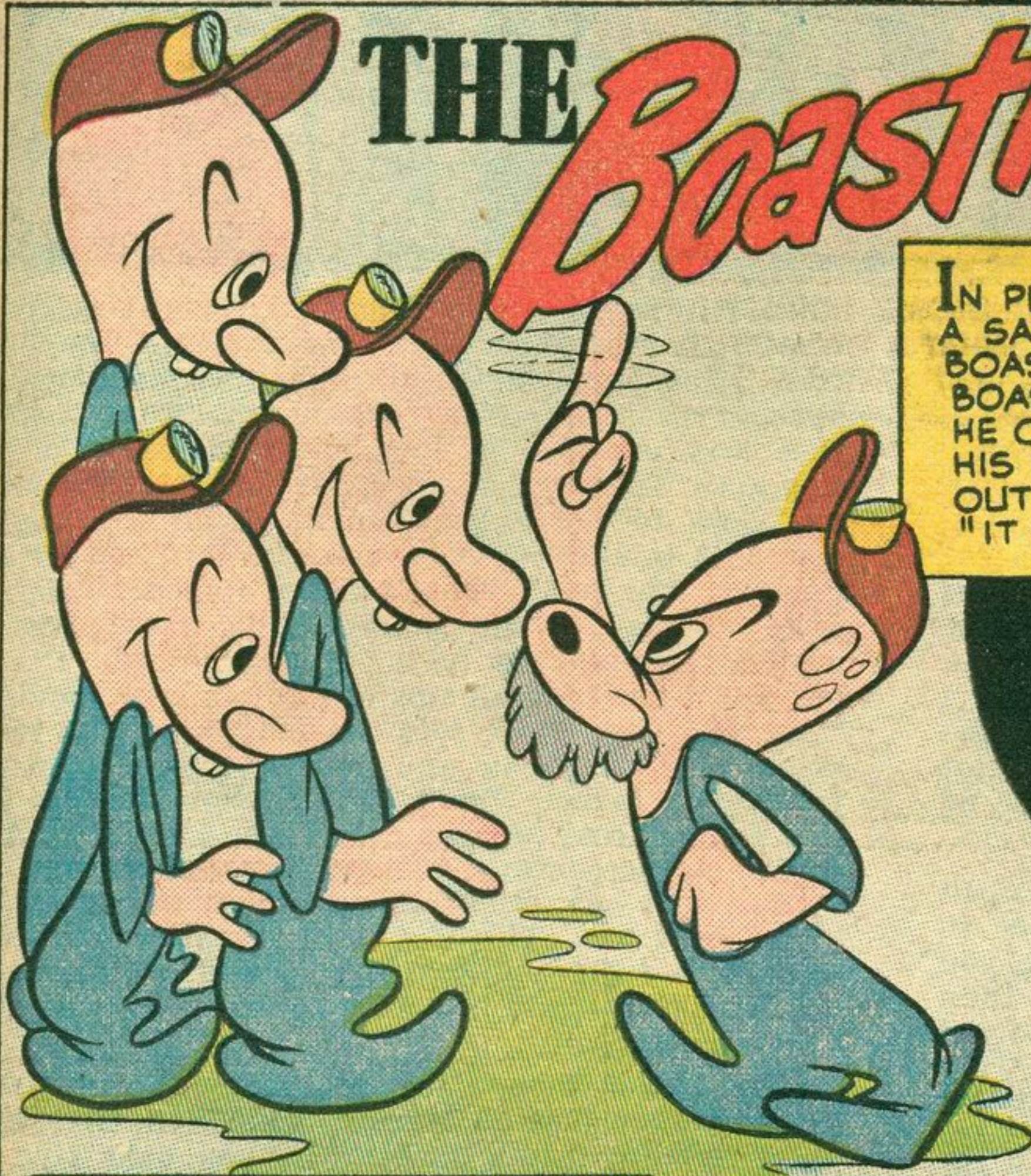


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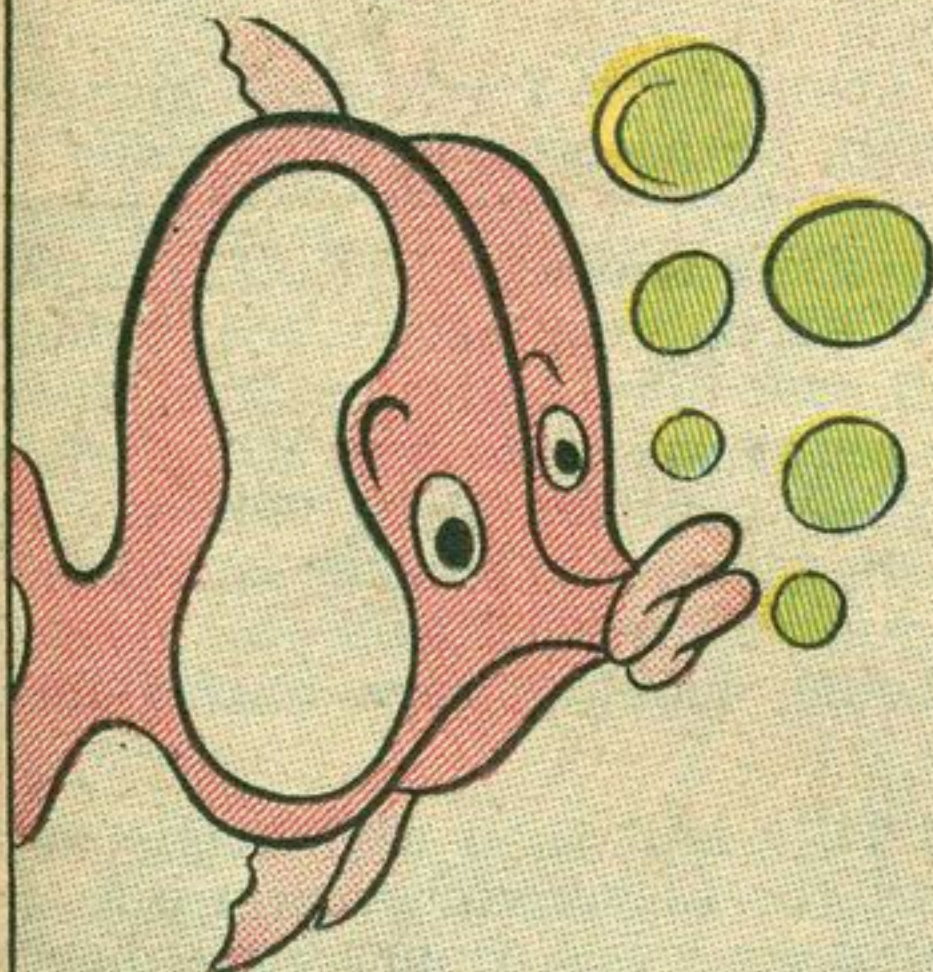
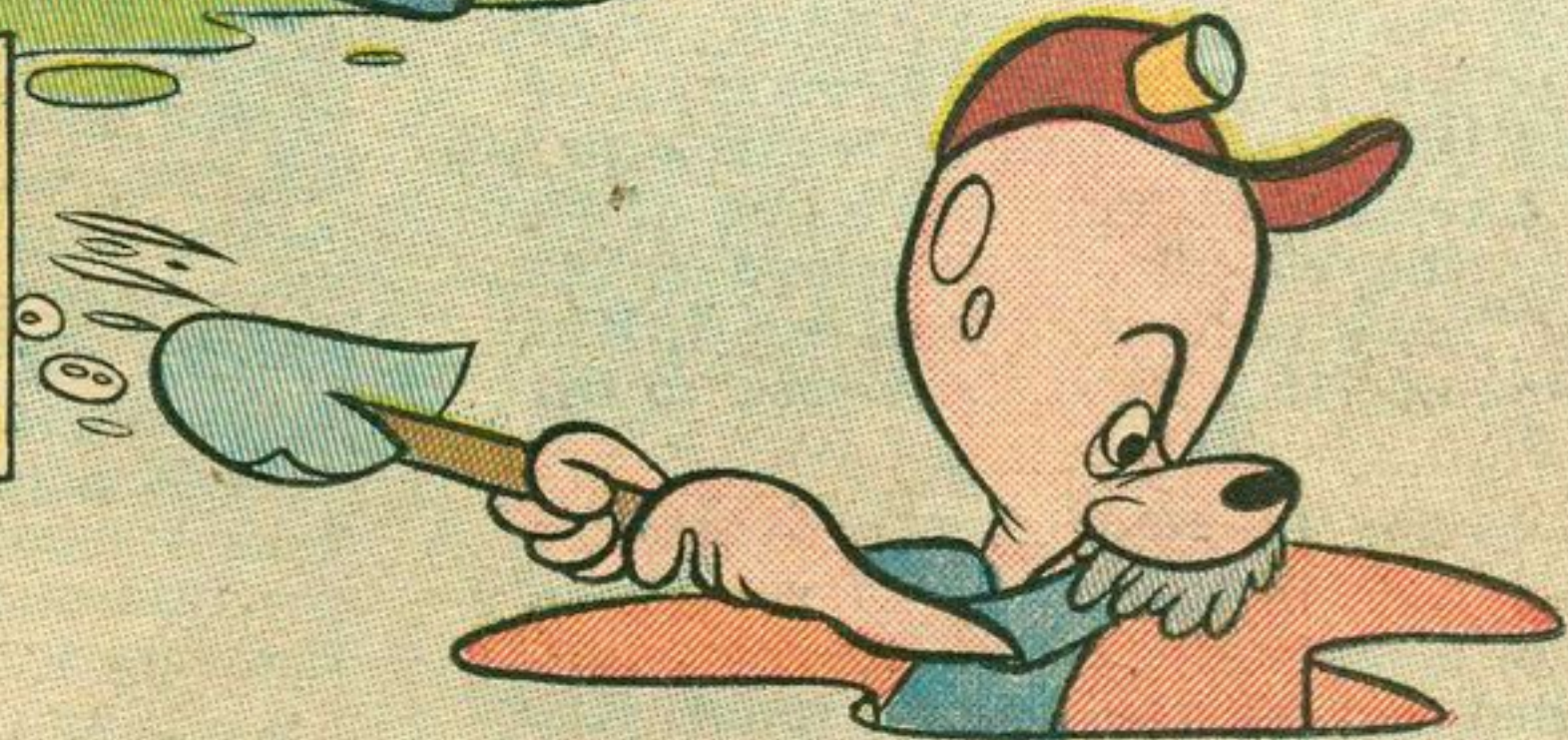


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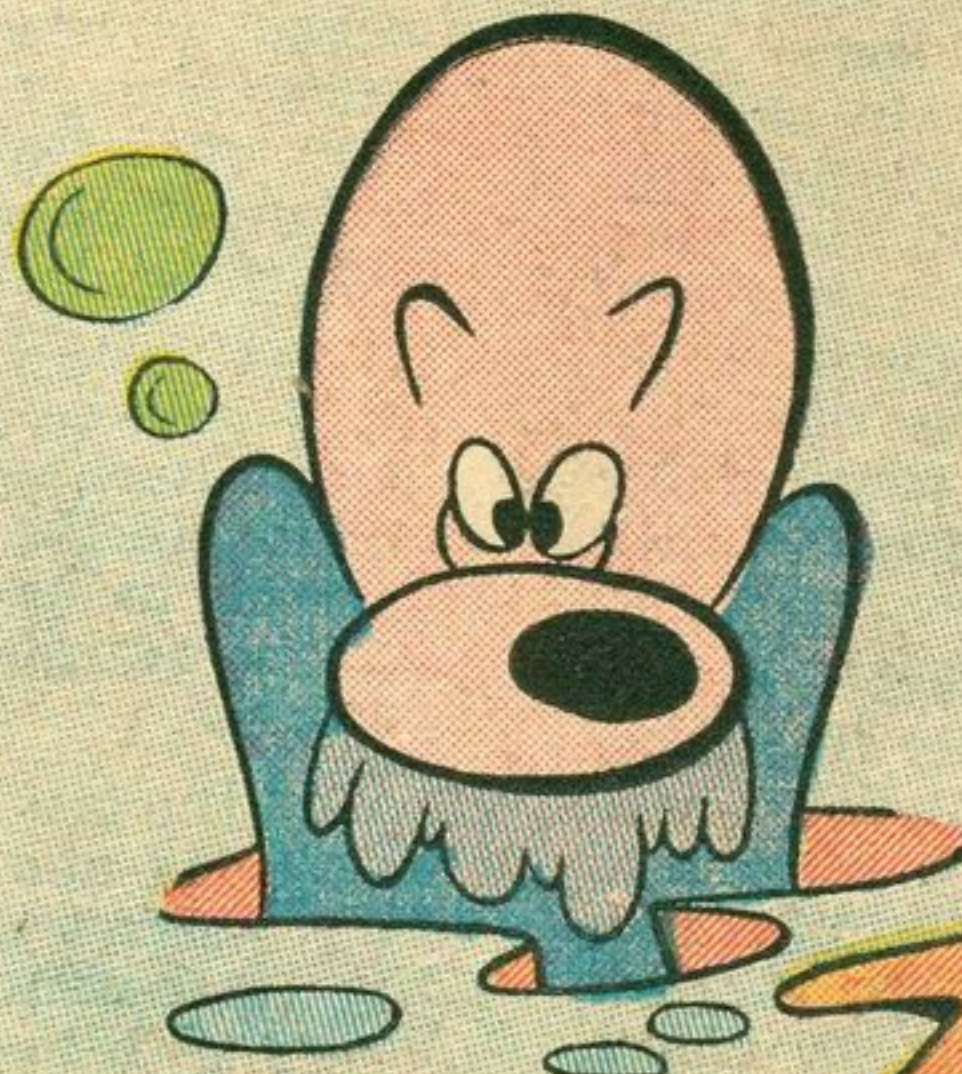
IN PENNSYLVANIA, LONG AGO,
A SAUCY LI'L OL' MINER
BOASTED ALL DAY AND
BOASTED ALL NIGHT THAT
HE COULD DIG TO CHINA --
HIS FELLOW MINERS LAUGHED
OUT LOUD AND SAID:
"IT CAN'T BE DONE!"



SO, HE GRABBED HIS PICK
AND GRABBED HIS SPADE
AND HIS PROJECT WAS BEGUN!
HE DUG STRAIGHT DOWN FOR
40 DAYS AND WAS SO
PROVOKED HE SPAT!



'CAUSE UP HE CAME
THROUGH THE FLOOR
OF THE SEA AND A
FISH SWAM OFF WITH
HIS HAT!



LOUIE'S LOVE LIFE

"YEOW!" shouted King Louie, as he read the last letter in his daily mail pile. "I'm being invaded! This is the end! I'm a lost man!" Marmaduke was busy munching on a large chunk of cheddar and it took him a moment to realize that his monarch was really upset. "Jeepers, Louie," he piped, "nothing can be that bad. What's the letter all about?" By this time, Louie was pacing the floor, his crown shoved to the back of his head, and the letter clutched in his sweaty palm. He shoved it at Marmaduke dramatically and sank with a thump onto his throne. "A while ago I wrote to King Terry Tiger to ask for a loan. You know my royal treasuries are depleted again. Anyway, that letter is his answer. What'll I do?" he moaned.

Marmaduke looked at the letter, his eyes open wide. "'Dear Louie,'" he read. "'In answer to your letter asking for a loan, I am sending you my daughter, Tilly. You can marry her and then you'll be heir to my millions. I might even give you a little dough as a wedding present. I know Tilly is mighty homely, but if you're eager enough for the money, you won't let that worry you. Terry Tiger, King. P.S. She'll arrive shortly after you get this letter!'" "Gosh, Louie," said Marmaduke, after he finished the letter. "This is really a predicament. As I remember Tilly, she's one of the ugliest girls in the world." Louie wiped a tear from his eye. "That's right. And how can I, King Louie, handsome dog that I am, tie myself to that old crone."

Marmaduke looked thoughtful. "There must be something we can do to throw her off your trail," he said. "In the meantime, I'll get the red paint." And he scurried out of the throne room. King Louie wasn't even listening, he was lost in his own gloom. He just sat, hunched on his throne, the picture of dejection. That's why, when Marmaduke came running back with the can of red paint, Louie put up such a holler. "What's this all about?" he roared. "I've got the worries of the world on my shoulders and you decide the place needs redecorating. Get down to some solid thought, man. How am I gonna get rid of Tilly Tiger. She's due here any moment!" Marmie dipped the paint brush into the paint and then aimed it at the King. "As a temporary measure, we'll give you a few red spots," he said. "She's sure to keep her distance if she thinks you have the measles." At this, Louie brightened considerably and he shoved his face forward to be covered with paint spots.

Just as Marmaduke put on the last dot, the herald announced the arrival of Tilly Tiger. In she swept, and my goodness, she was a silly looking Tiger. She cooed and clucked all the way across the room, as she hurried toward Louie, who was trying very hard to look sick. "OOH," she giggled, "I'm so glad we're going to get married, Louie. Really I've waited just ages for this." "Yeah," mumbled Louie in return. "Since the stone ages."

Then Tilly stopped all of a sudden. "Good heavens, what's all over your face?" she shrieked. By this time, King Louie had been perspiring with nervousness and the red paint had run all down his face and was now in long, ugly streaks. "I'm a sick man, Tilly," he moaned. "You'd better not get too close to me or you might catch this rare disease. I wouldn't make much of a husband for a fine girl like you." "That's right," piped Marmaduke. "Louie's in sad shape." Tilly was flabbergasted. "I should say he is," she exclaimed. "Dear me, and I travelled all this way to get a husband." "Yes, it's very sad," said Marmaduke. "Did you bring your trousseau and your dowry of money from your father, Terry Tiger?" She nodded, a tear falling from her one green eye. At this, Louie perked up perceptibly. "Dowry," he said, brightly, "ahem, just how much did your fine father send along with you, Tilly?" "Oh, he said there was enough to refill your treasury. But of course, unless I get a husband, I can't give the dowry away," Tilly replied sadly.

Louie looked thoughtful for a moment and then he turned his gaze on Marmaduke. "Well, then we must certainly find a husband for you, dear Tilly." Marmie looked up in time to catch King Louie eyeing him in that calculating manner. He shrieked, "No, no, not that!" And he fell to his knees before the King as Tilly looked on astonished. "I've been a faithful subject, Louie," he pleaded. "Please don't even suggest such a thing. Besides," he said shyly, "I'm only a little mouse, hardly fit to wed a fine, Tiger Princess." But by now, Tilly had started to look interested. "That's kind of you, Marmaduke," she purred. "But I'm really very democratic."

Marmie looked about in a frightened manner and then in a flash, he scooted out the door to return in a moment with a bucket of steaming, sudsy water. Before King Louie could duck, Marmaduke had hauled off and splashed that whole bucket of water all over him. And of course, when it dripped off, the paint was gone and King Louie looked as healthy as can be. Tiger Tilly's eyes opened wide, and she started to sputter and shout, "You tricked me, you scoundrel." And she headed for the soaked Louie, looking very businesslike and fierce.

Louie looked at Tilly and then at Marmie and he started to head for Marmaduke, growling as he did. Now Marmaduke was a smart little mouse and he started to run very fast. Well, it was really a sight to see, Tilly chasing Louie, and Louie chasing Marmaduke, and all of them shouting at once.

And the last I heard, they had chased each other all day and finally collapsed, all so tired that they weren't mad at each other anymore. Tilly the Tiger went home to her father and took her dowry with her. And Marmaduke and King Louie went back to the palace and the empty treasury. Broke, but free and happy!

EGBERT and the COUNT

GEE, EGBERT, WHAT IF THE COUNT GETS US?

DON'T WORRY, CHILDREN! THAT CHICKEN THIEF WON'T BOTHER YOU AS LONG AS I'M AROUND! TEE, HEE!

BEWARE

THE COUNT CHICKEN THIEF

CHICKEN FEED

WHERE ARE YOU HEADED, EGBERT?

TO MRS. HENRIETTA PENNINGTON'S! SHE SENT THIS NOTE SAYING SHE WANTS TO SEE ME!

WELL, HOP IN, FRIEND! I'LL DRIVE YOU THERE!

GEE, THANKS, COUNT!

HMM! MRS. PENNINGTON IS ROLLING IN DOUGH!

YES, AND SHE'S WEALTHY, TOO! MAYBE I'LL BREAK INTO SOCIETY! TEE, HEE!

BUSTER BEAR



I'D LIKE TO BREAK IN, TOO-- INTO HENNY PENNY'S SAFE!

SO LONG, COUNT! BE SEEING YOU!

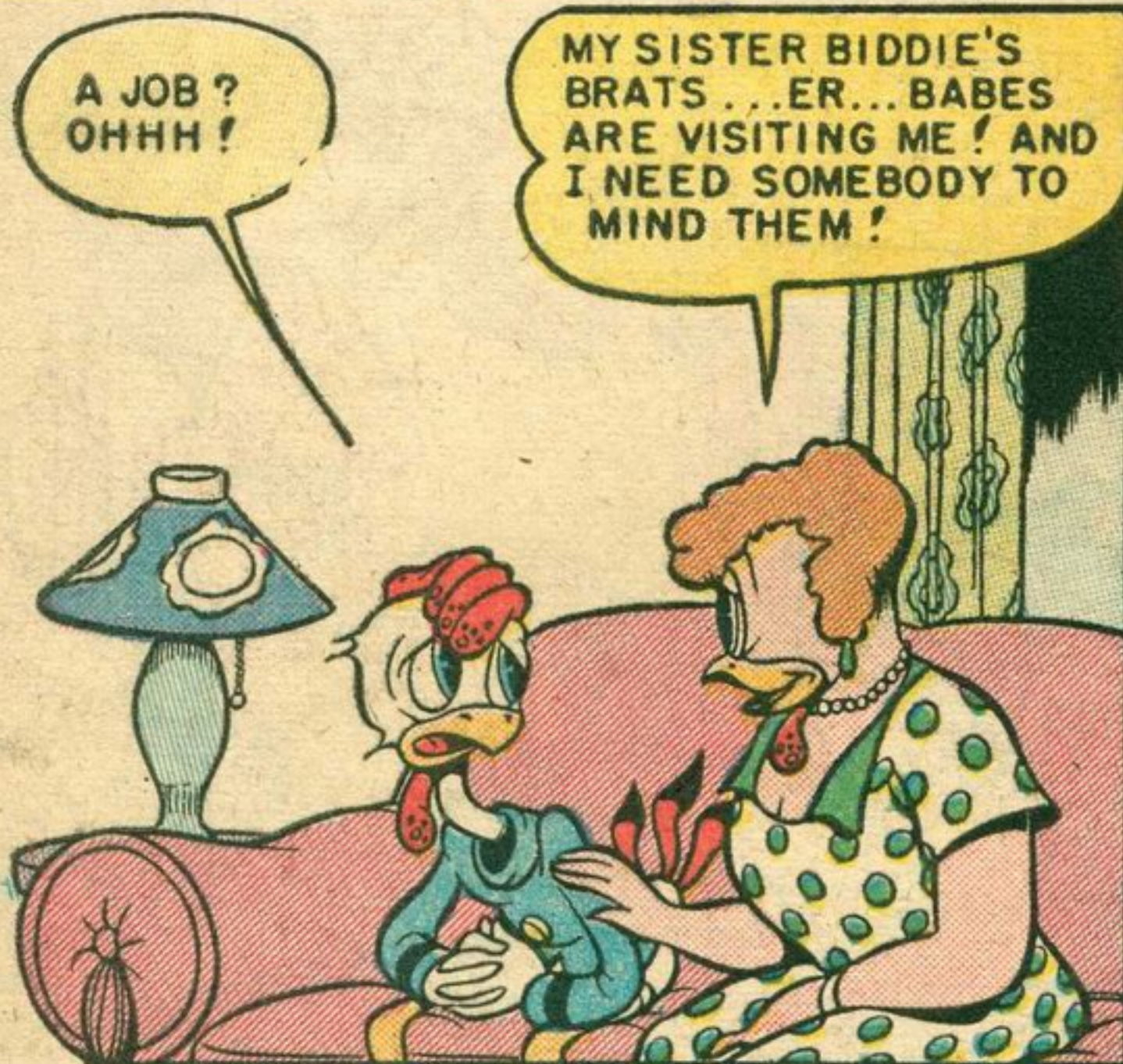


HE'LL BE SEEING ME, ALL RIGHT! I'M GOING TO HANG AROUND UNTIL I KNOW WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT! MAYBE IT'S MY CHANCE TO GET RICH QUICK! HEH, HEH!



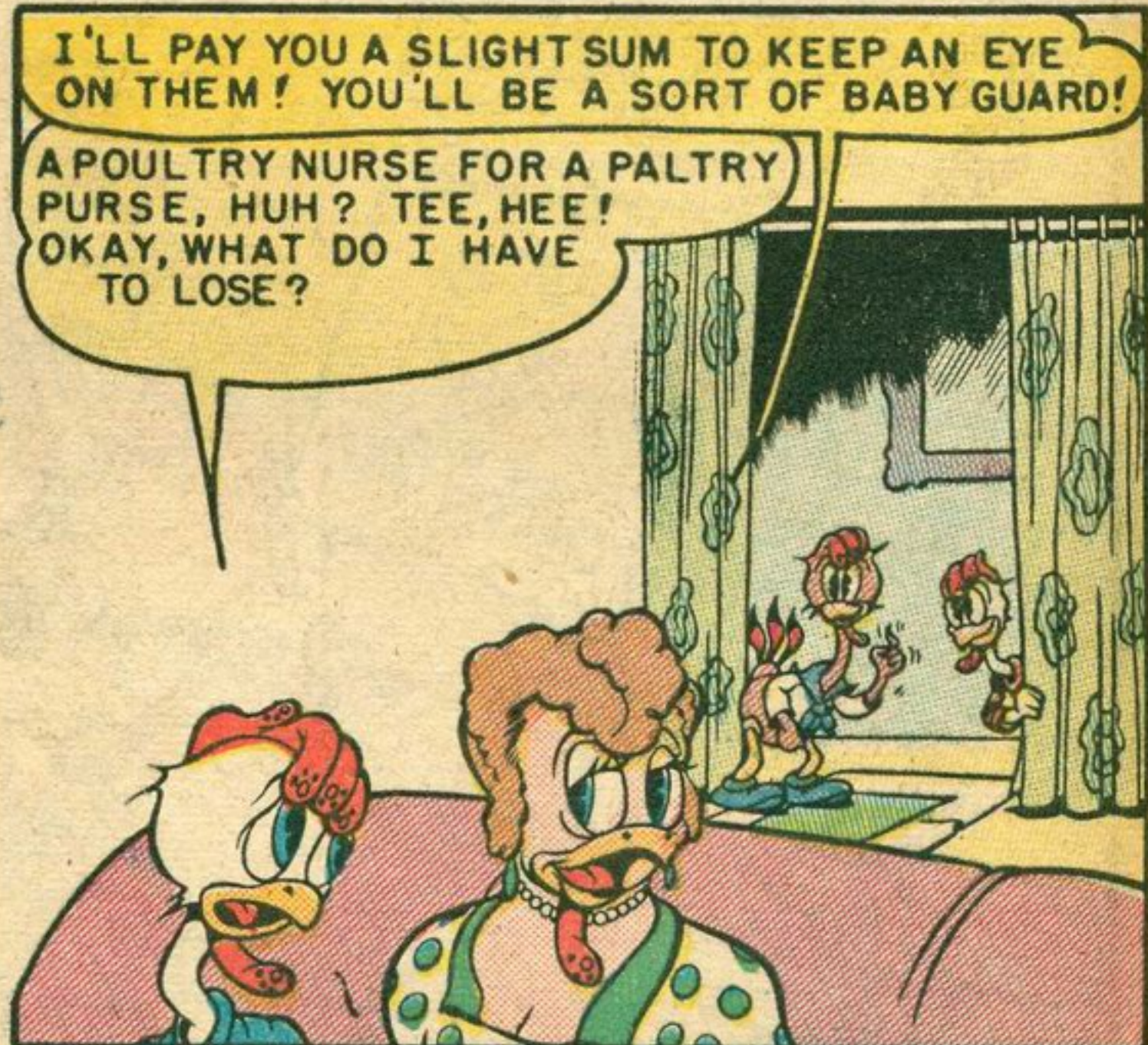
YOU WANTED TO SEE ME, MRS. PENNINGTON?

YES, EGBERT! IT'S ABOUT A JOB!



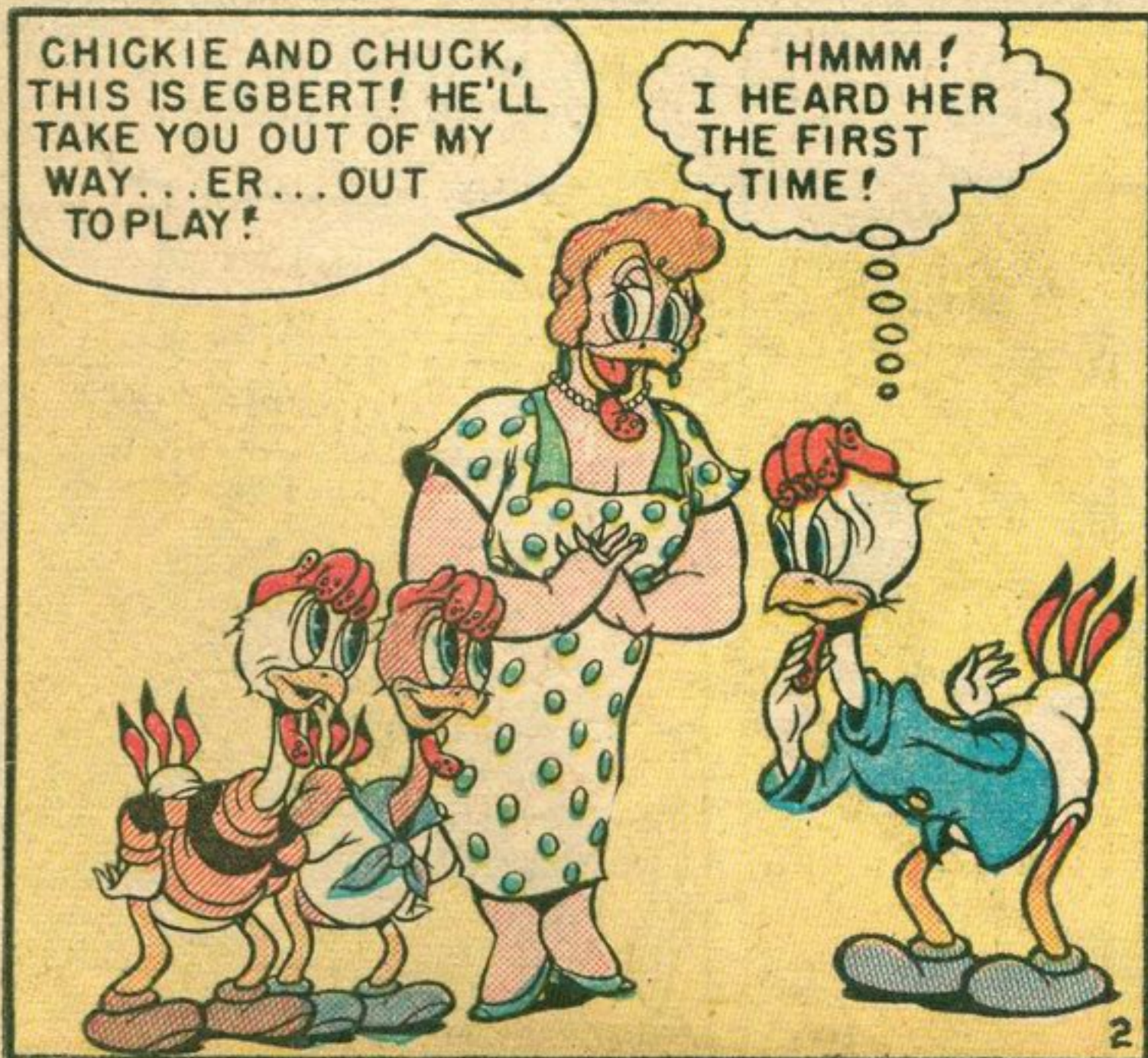
A JOB? OHHH!

MY SISTER BIDDIE'S BRATS...ER...BABES ARE VISITING ME! AND I NEED SOMEBODY TO MIND THEM!



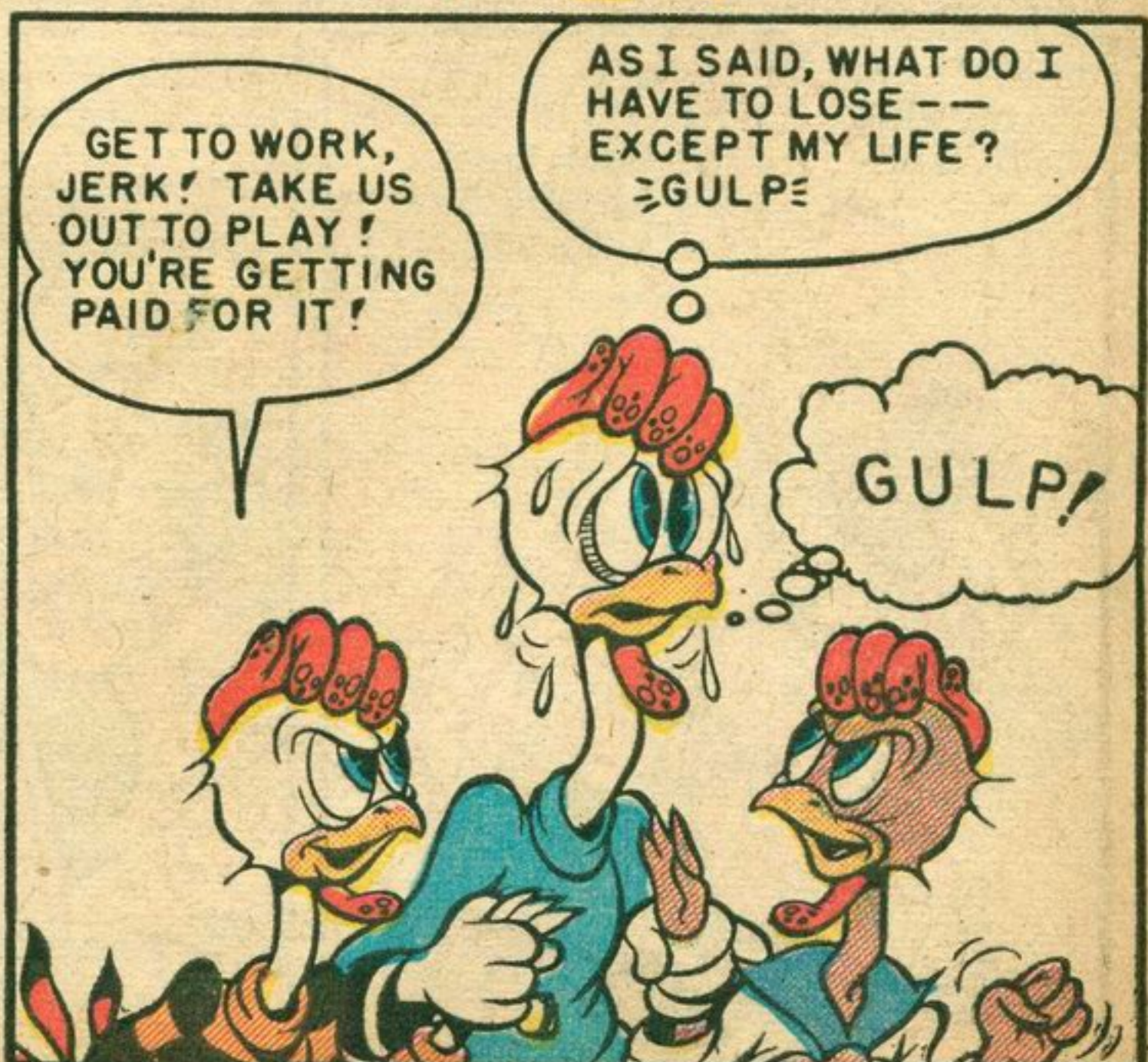
I'LL PAY YOU A SLIGHT SUM TO KEEP AN EYE ON THEM! YOU'LL BE A SORT OF BABY GUARD!

A POULTRY NURSE FOR A PALTRY PURSE, HUH? TEE, HEE! OKAY, WHAT DO I HAVE TO LOSE?



CHICKIE AND CHUCK, THIS IS EGBERT! HE'LL TAKE YOU OUT OF MY WAY...ER...OUT TO PLAY!

HMMM! I HEARD HER THE FIRST TIME!

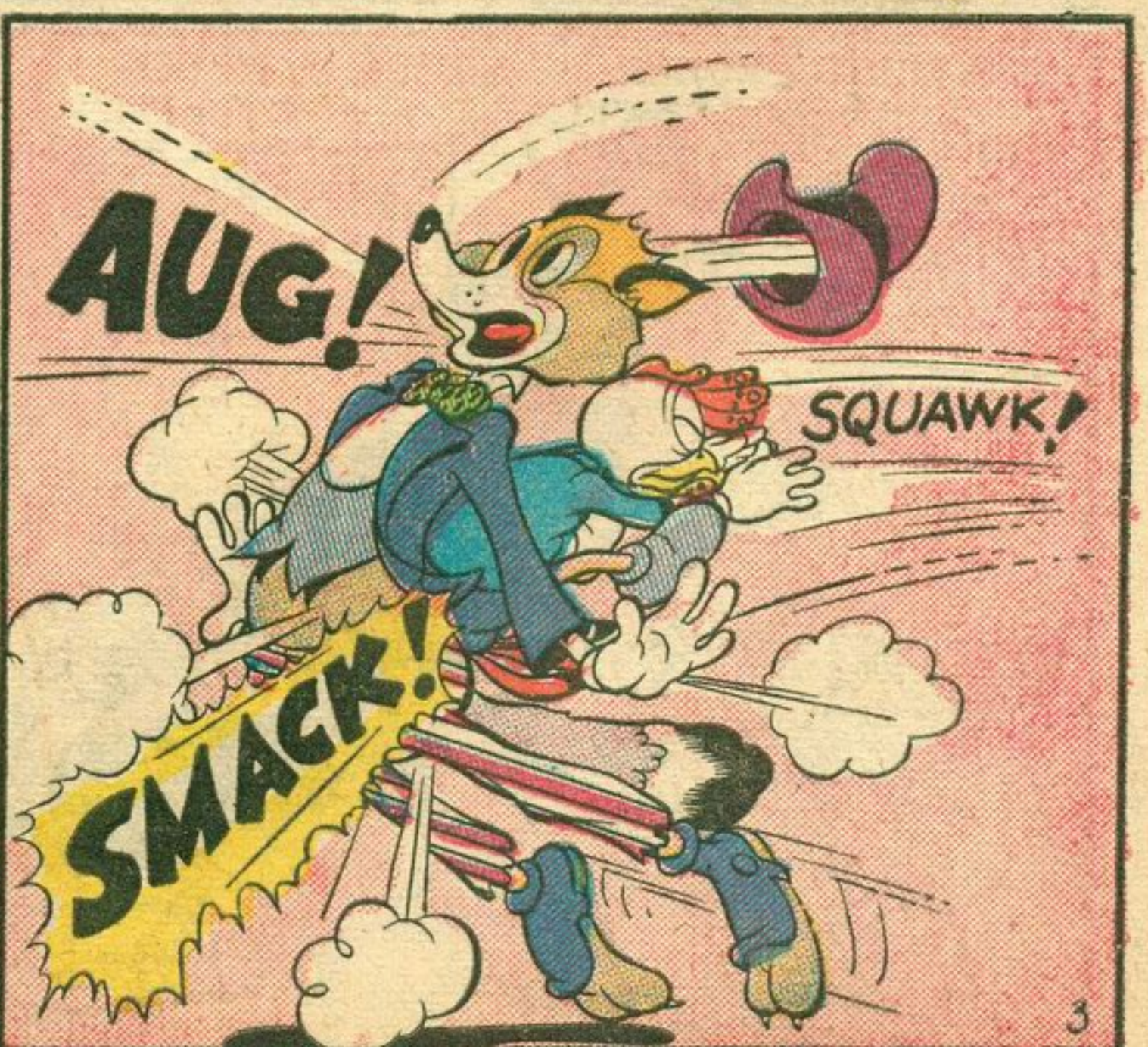
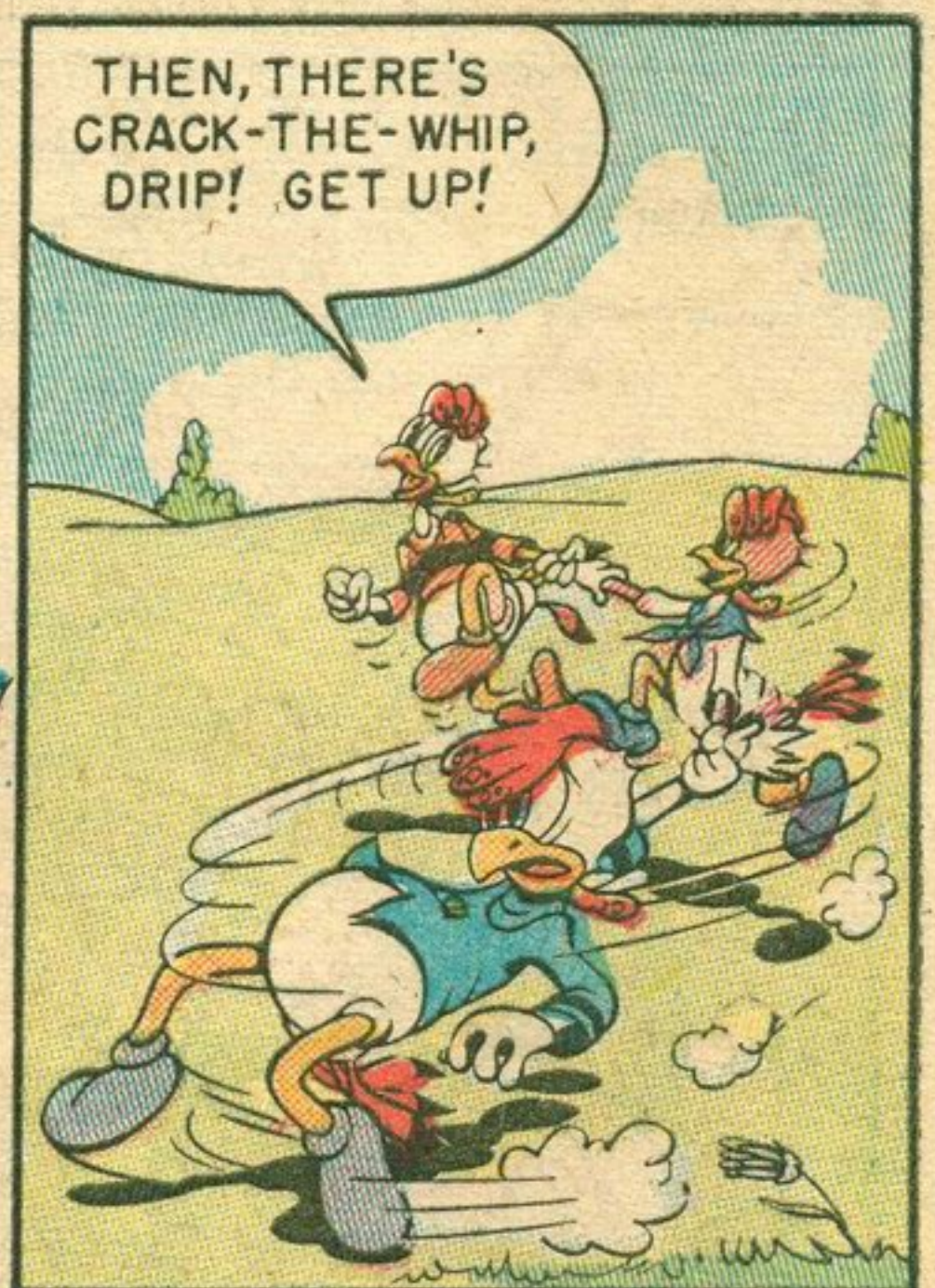
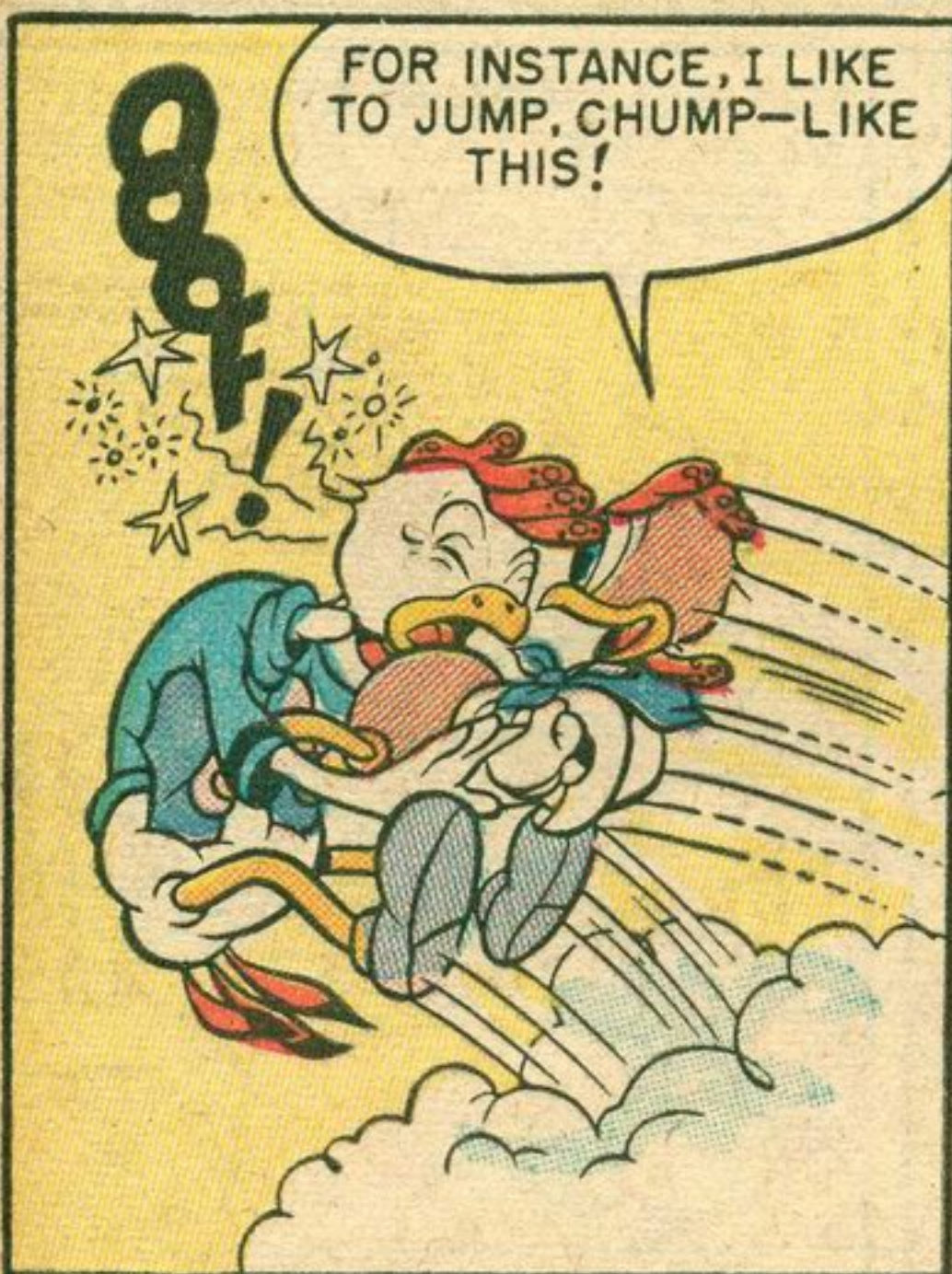
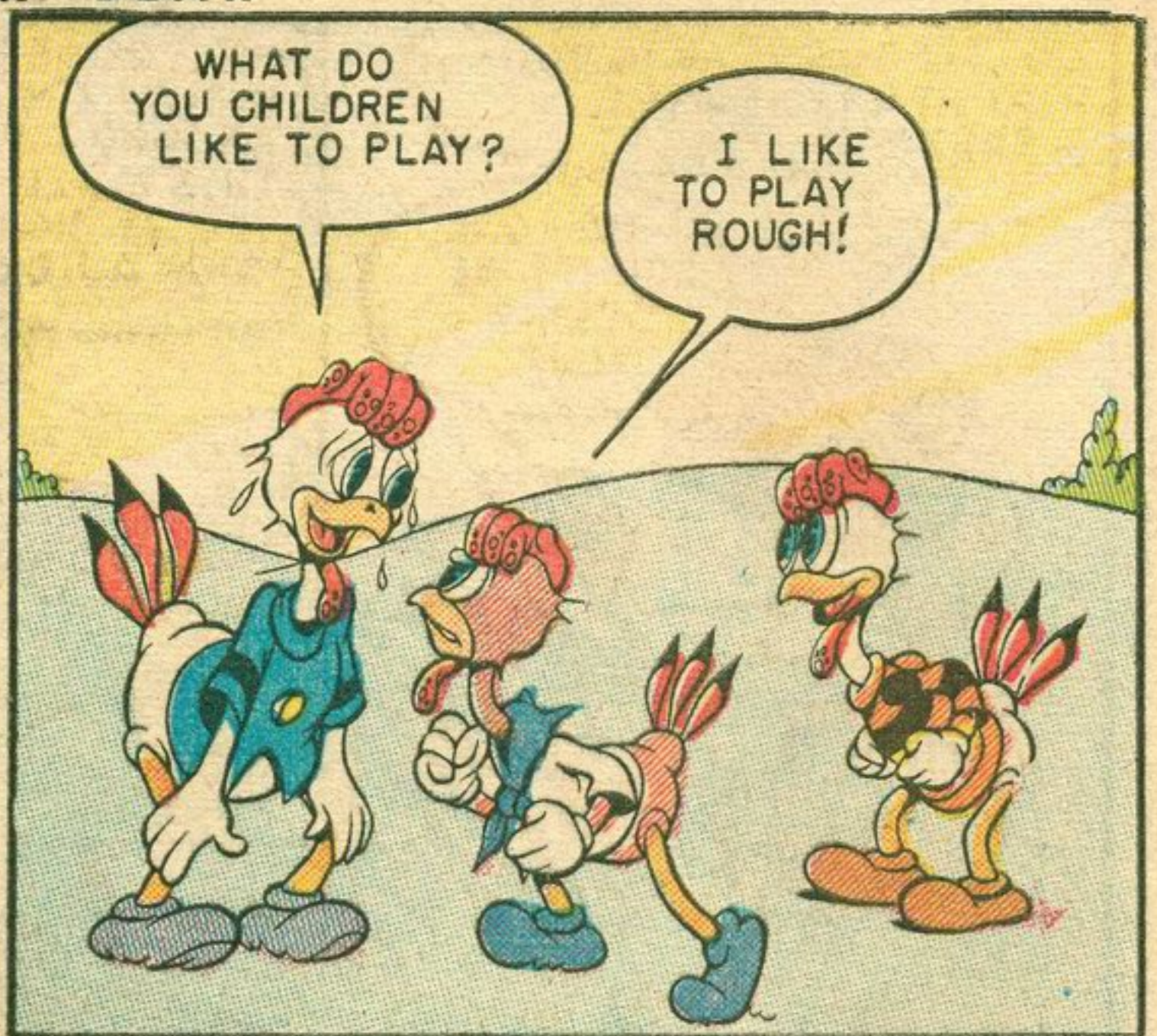
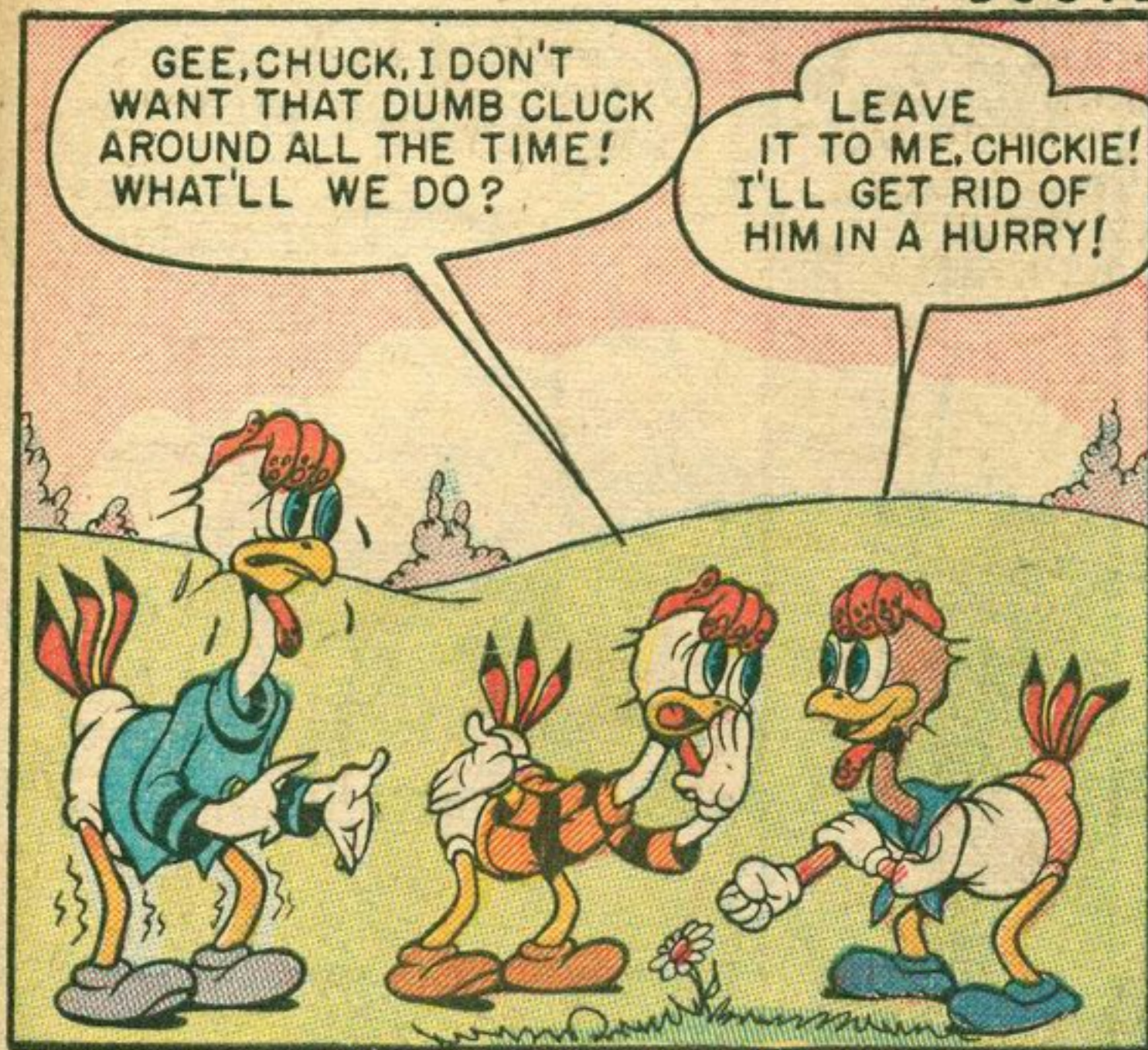


GET TO WORK, JERK! TAKE US OUT TO PLAY! YOU'RE GETTING PAID FOR IT!

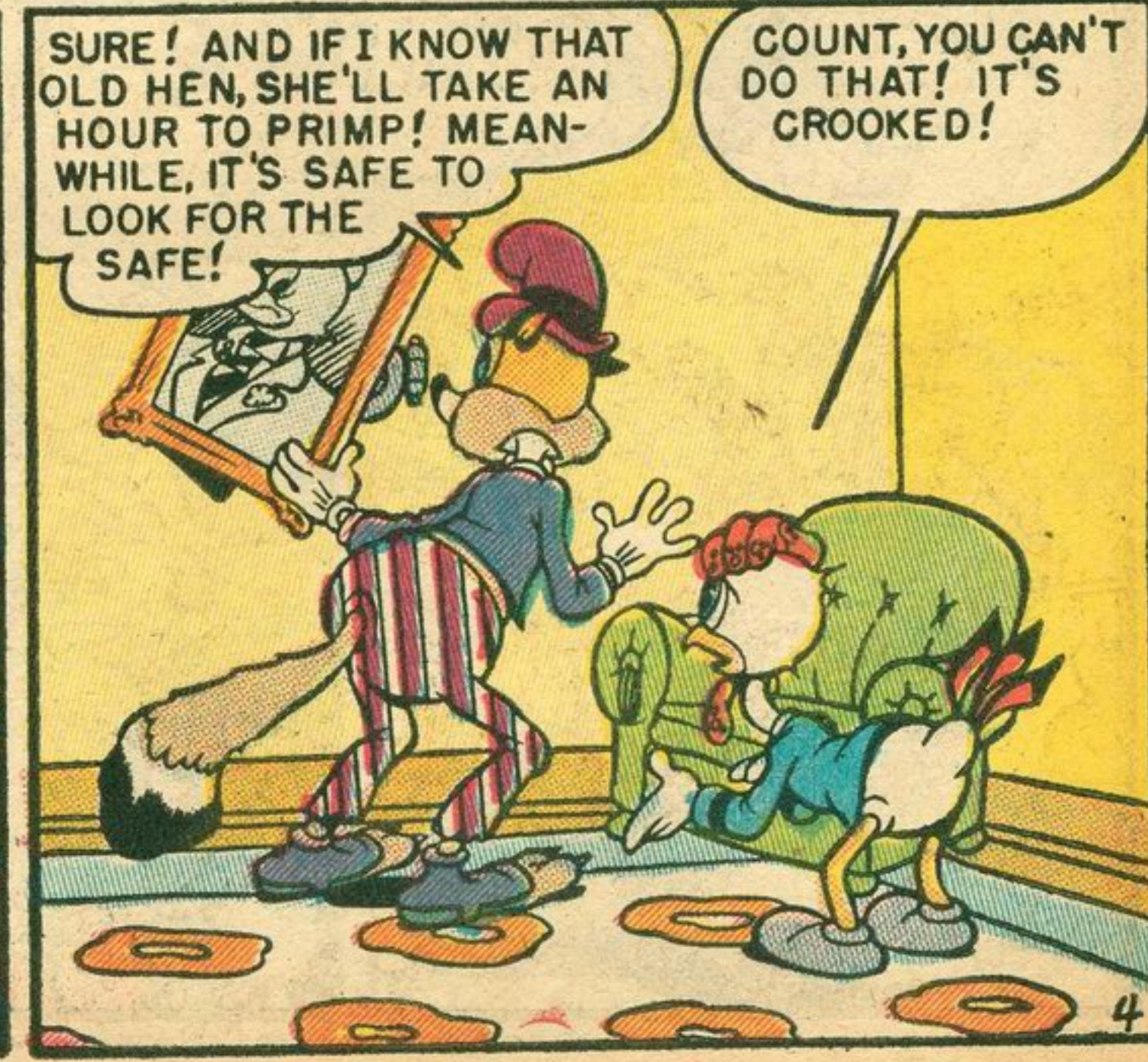
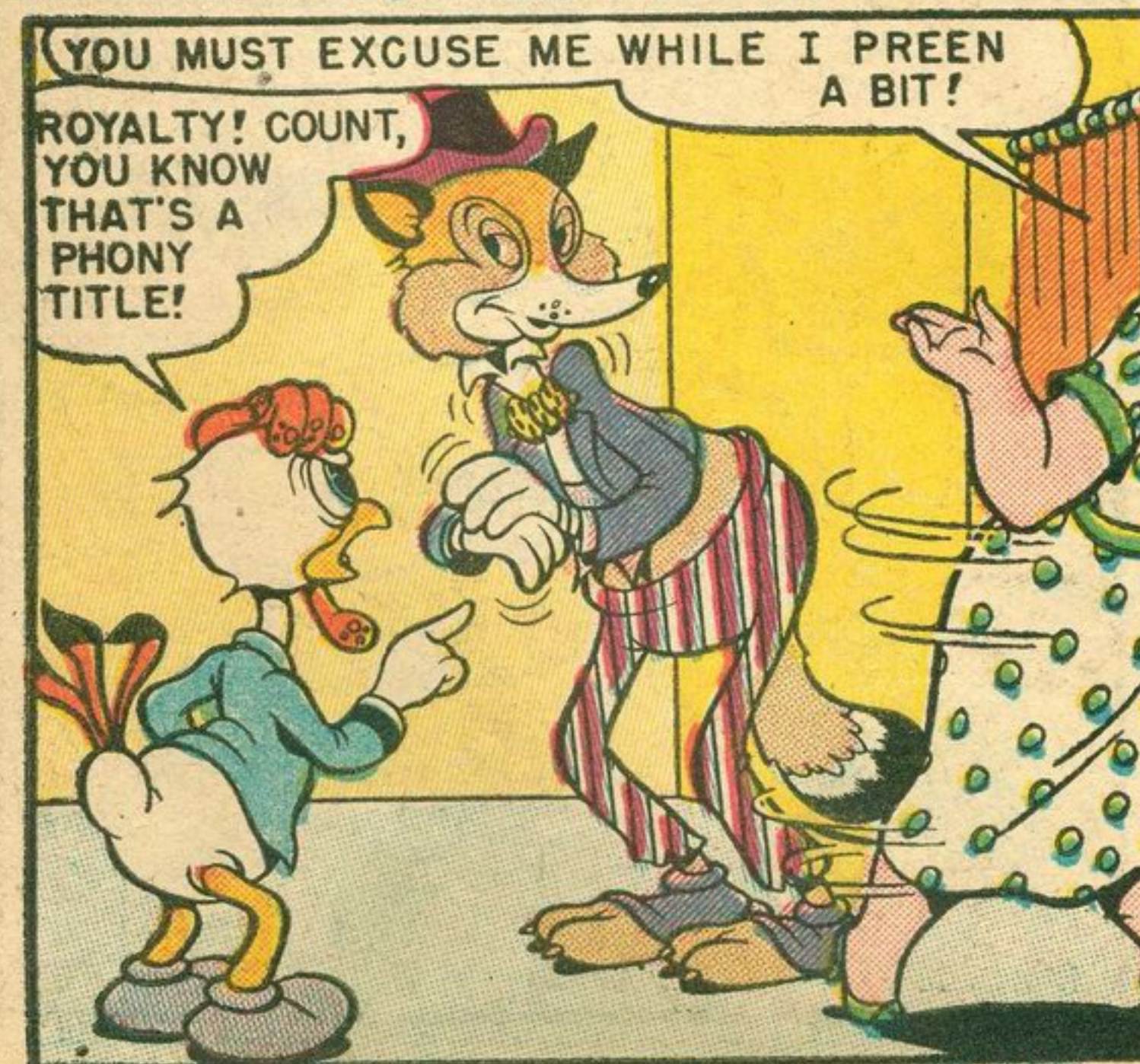
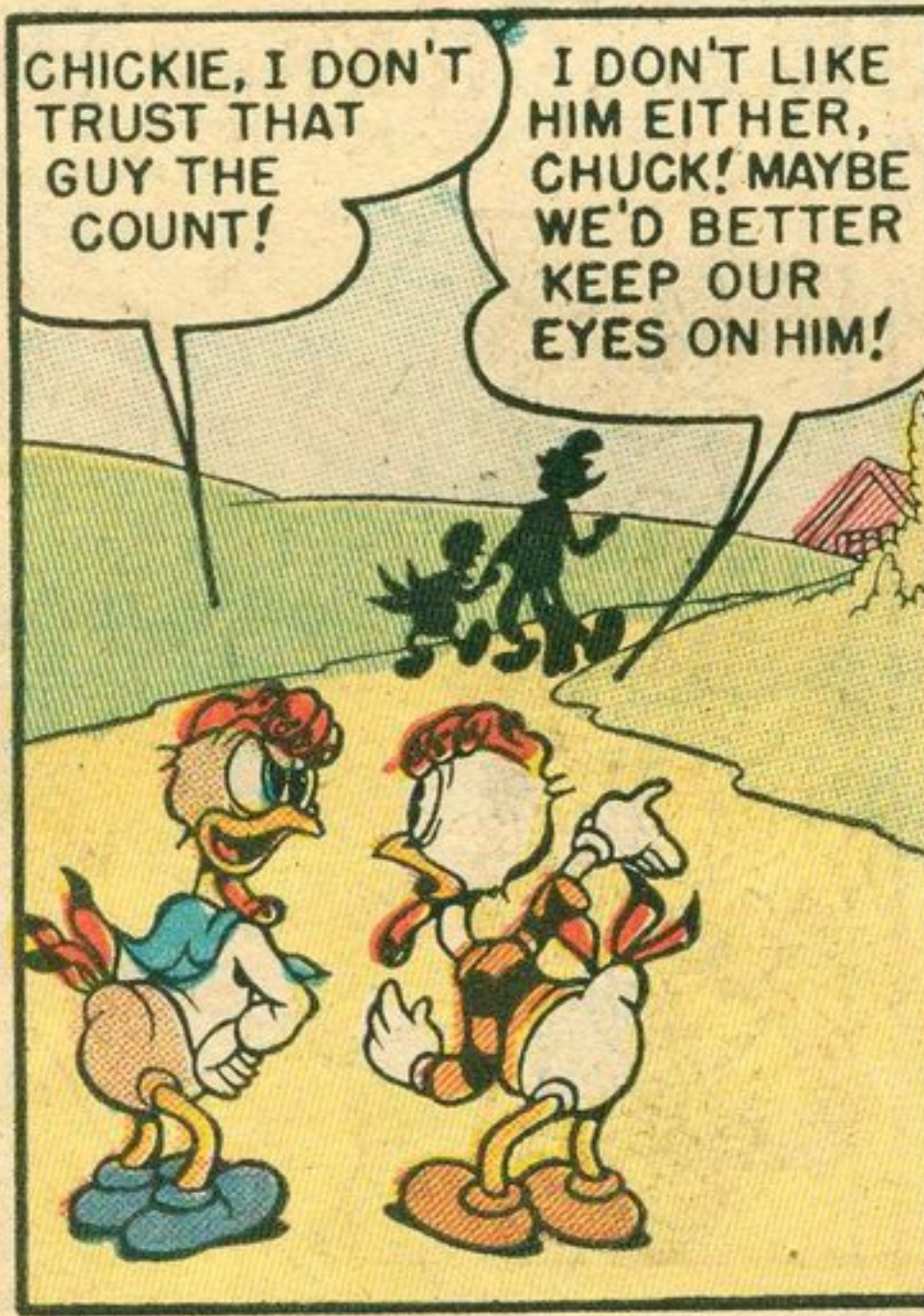
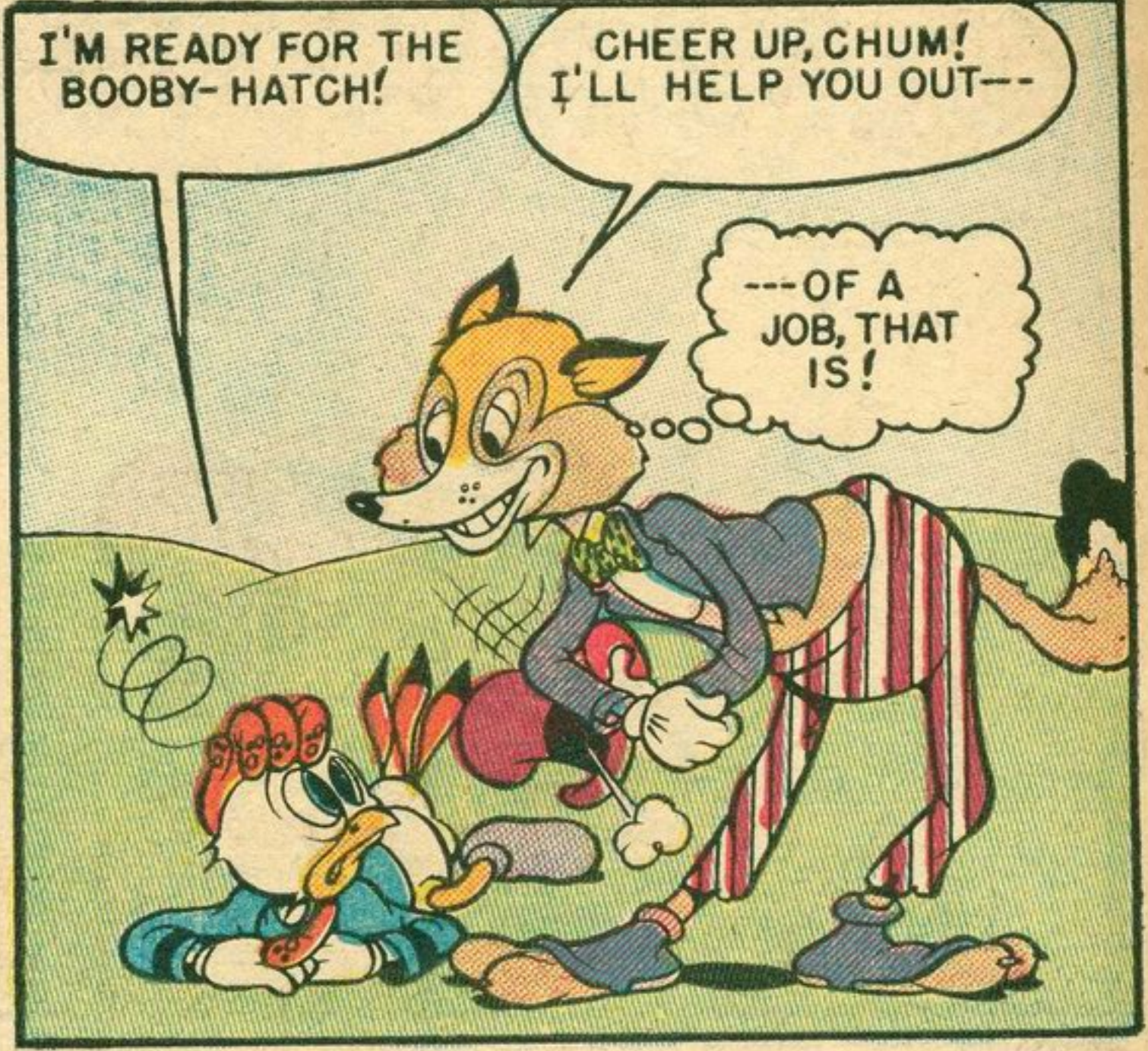
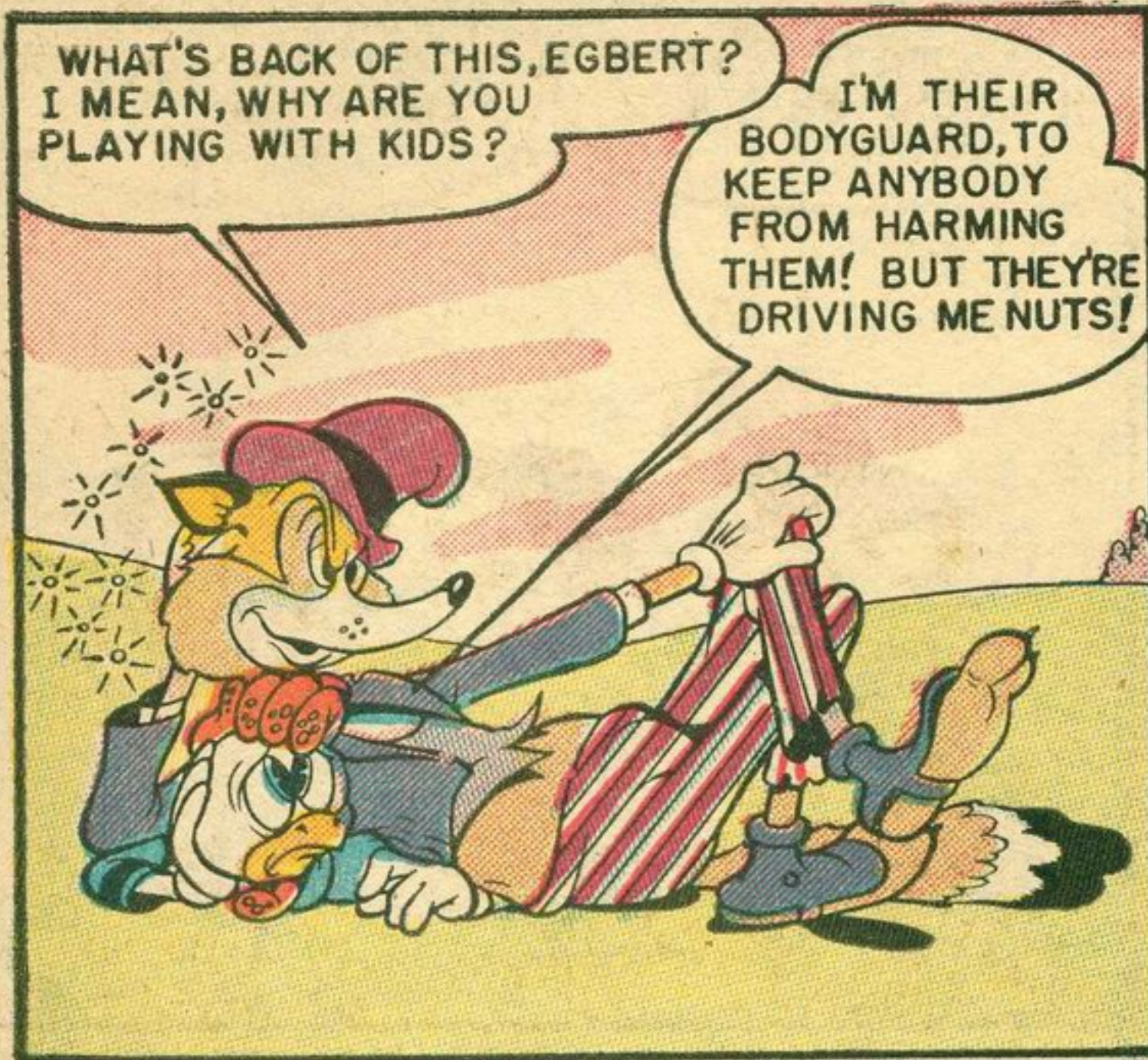
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GULP!

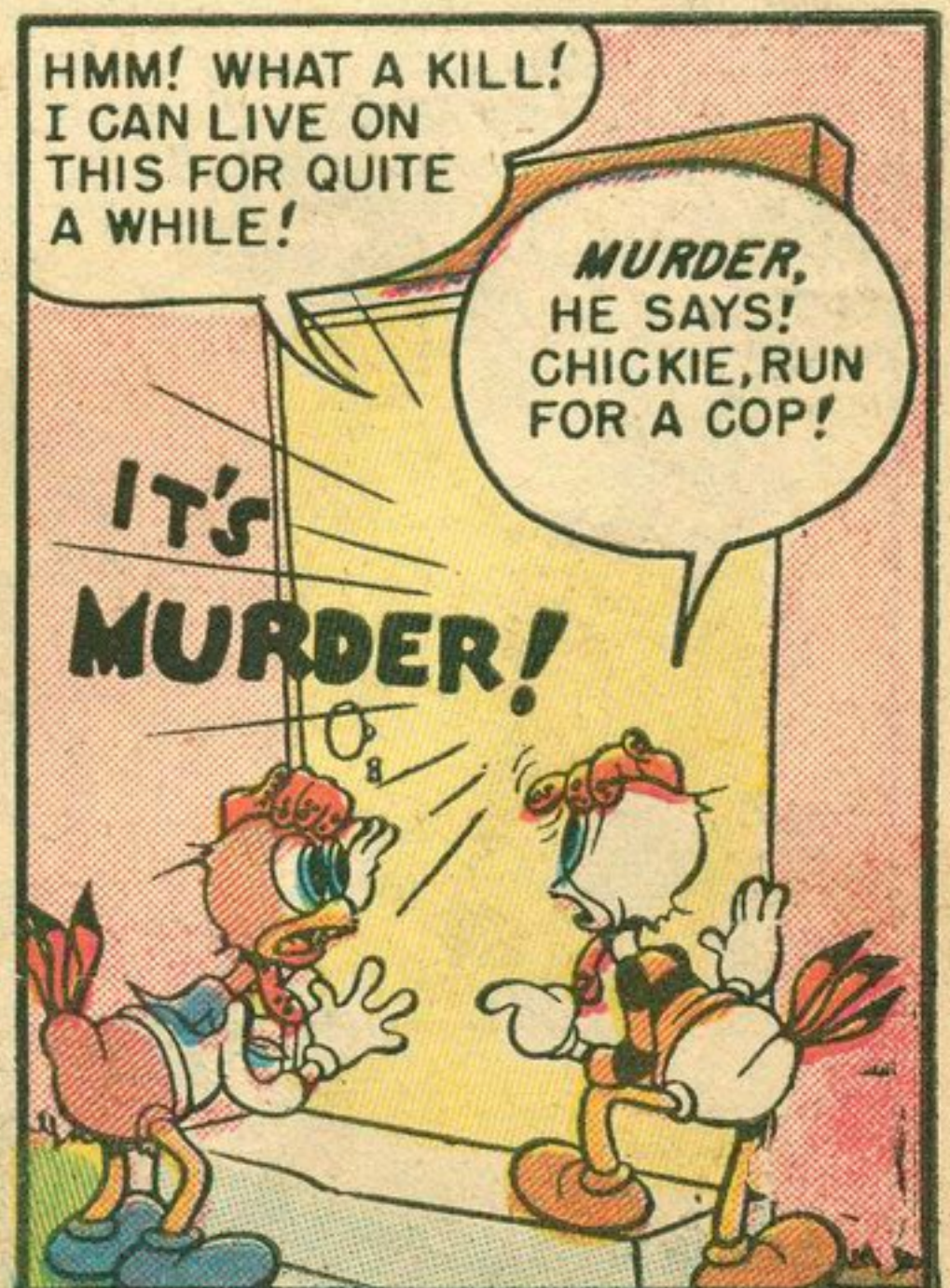
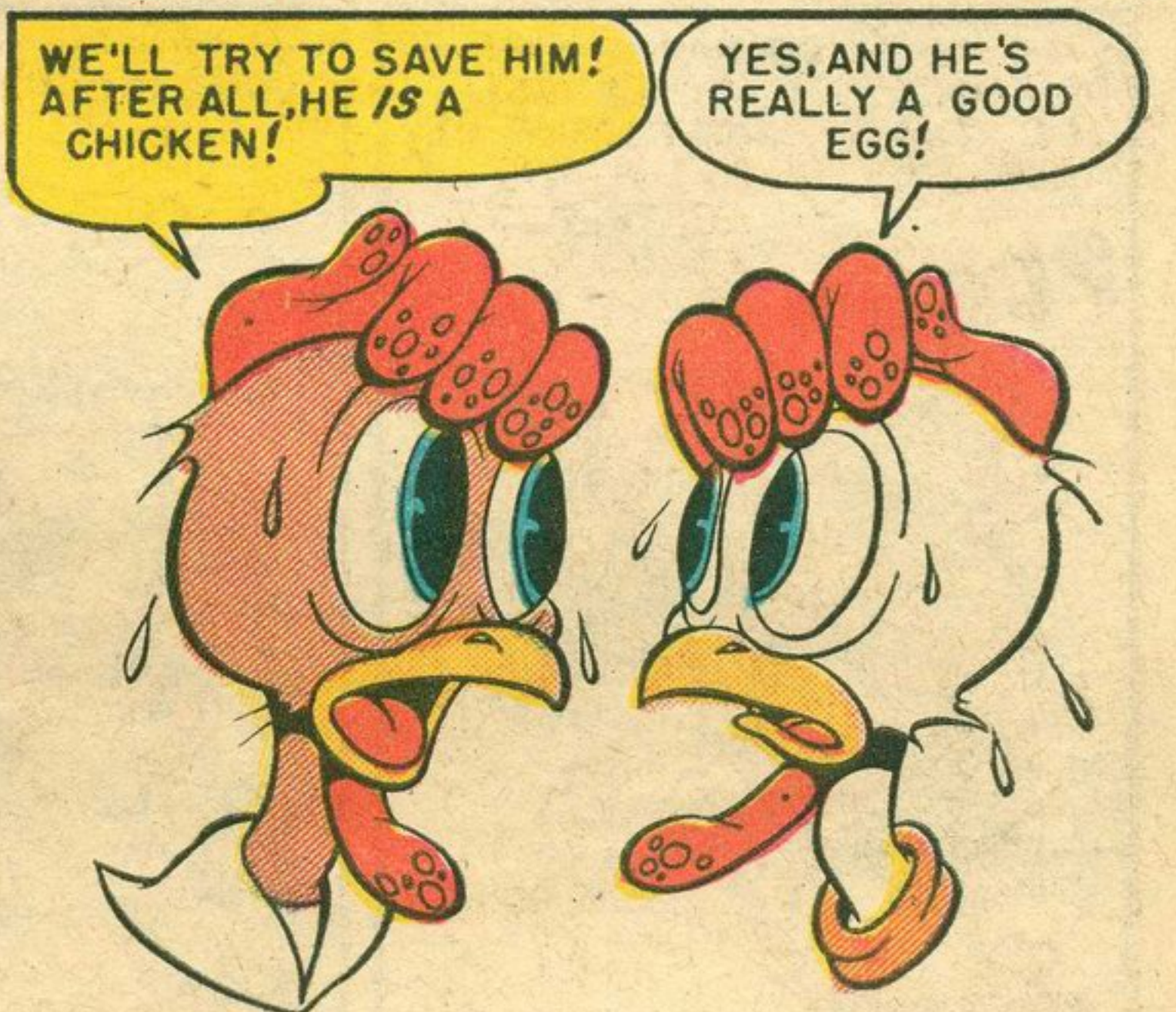
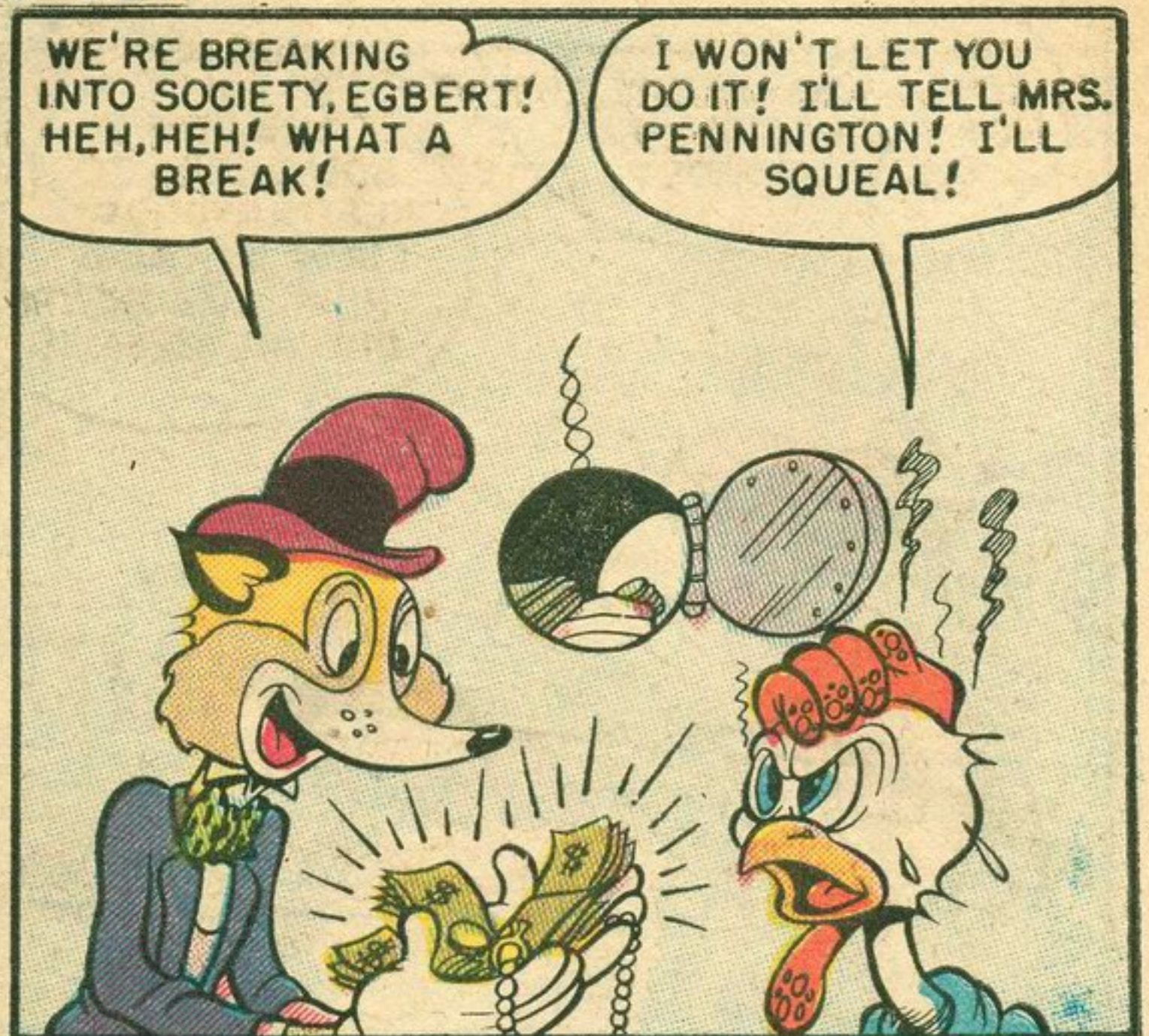
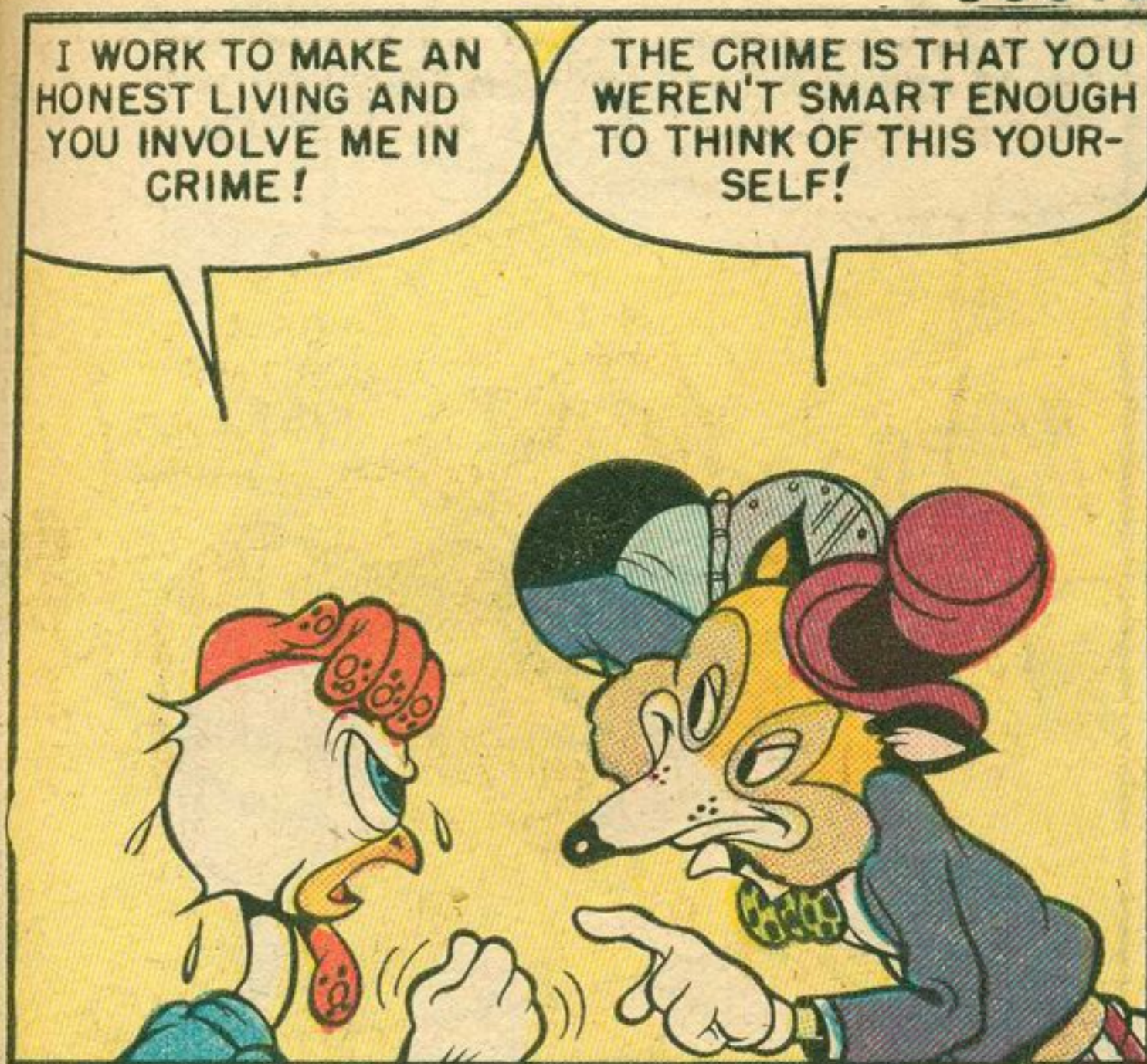
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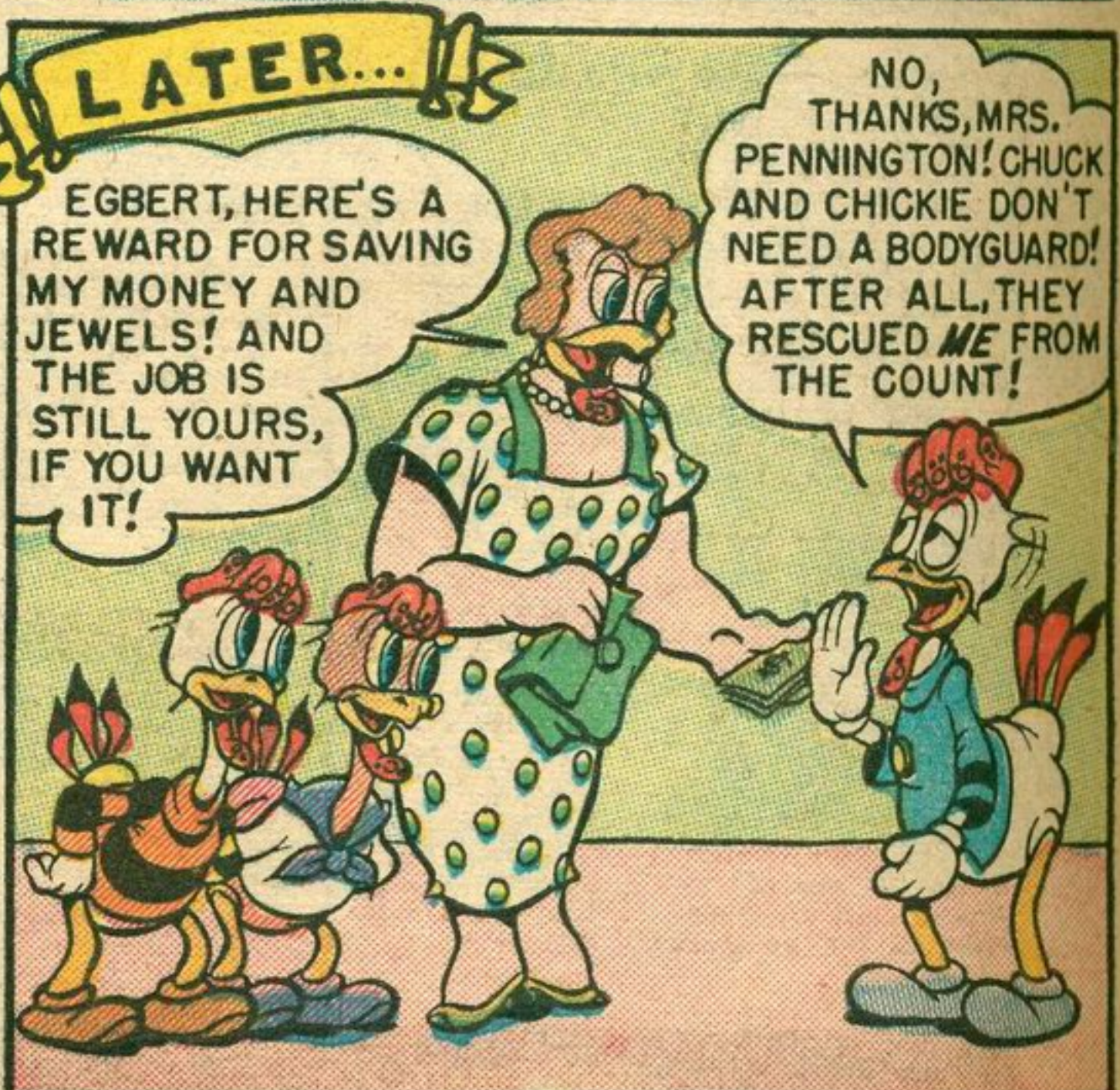
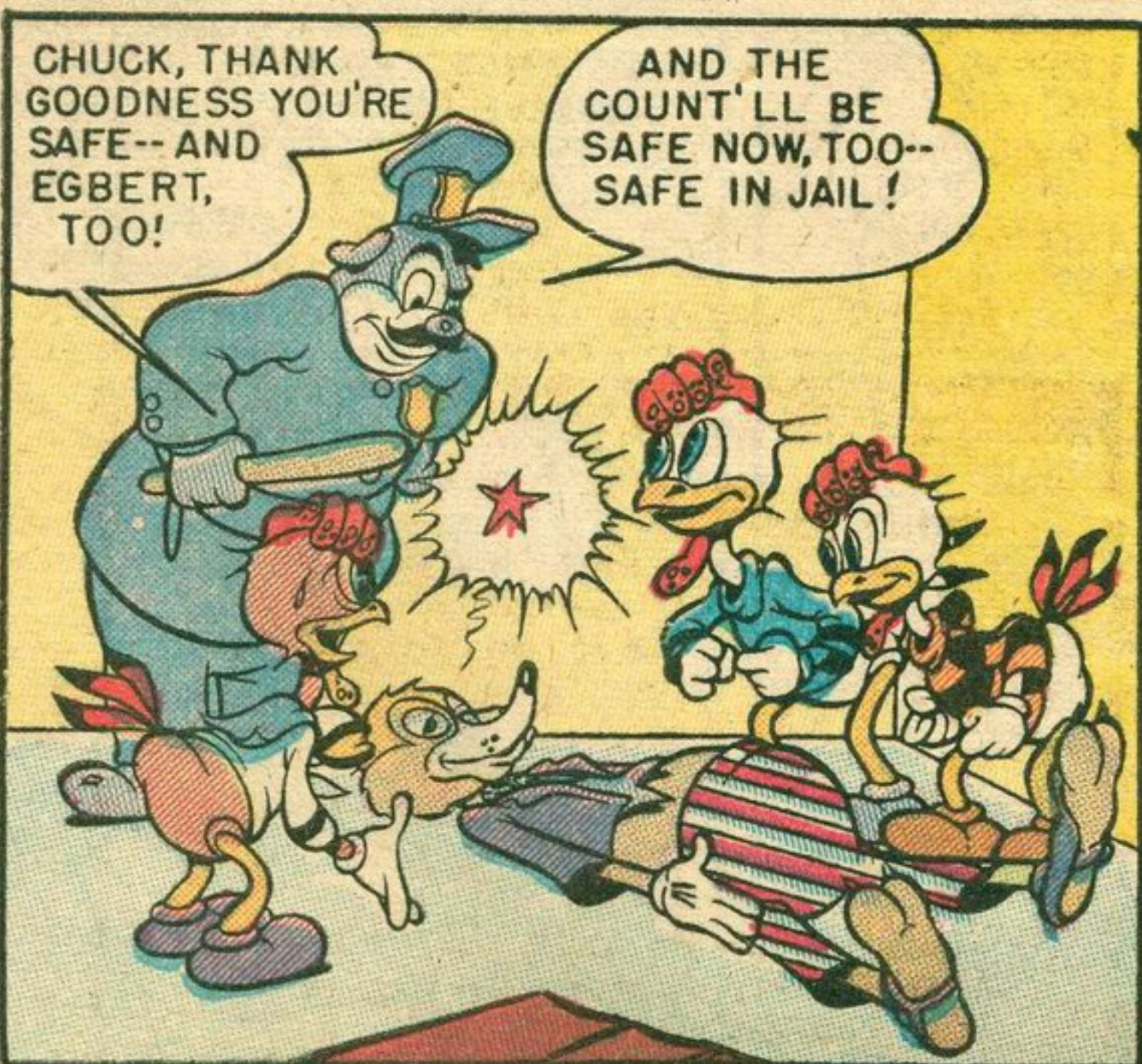
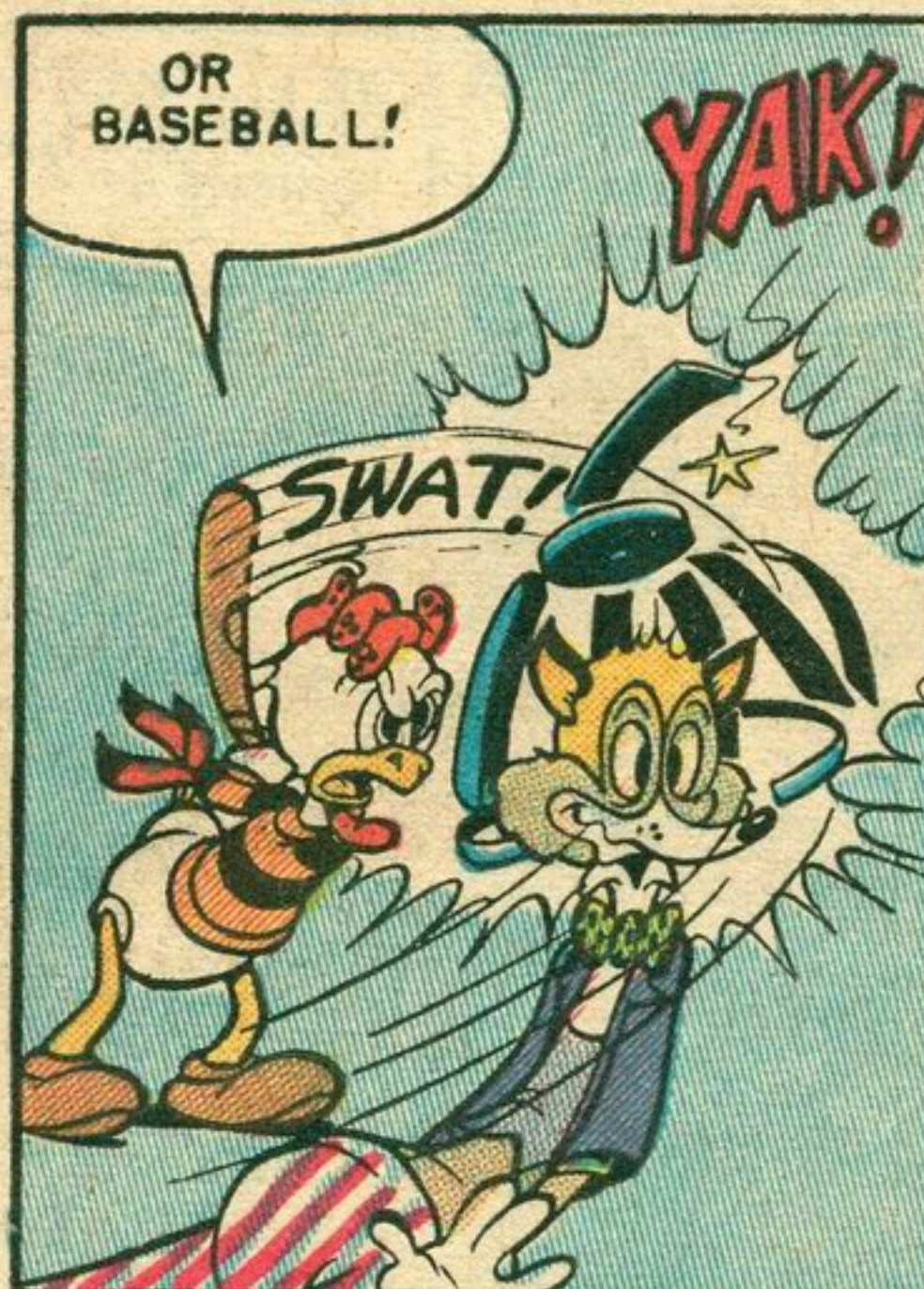
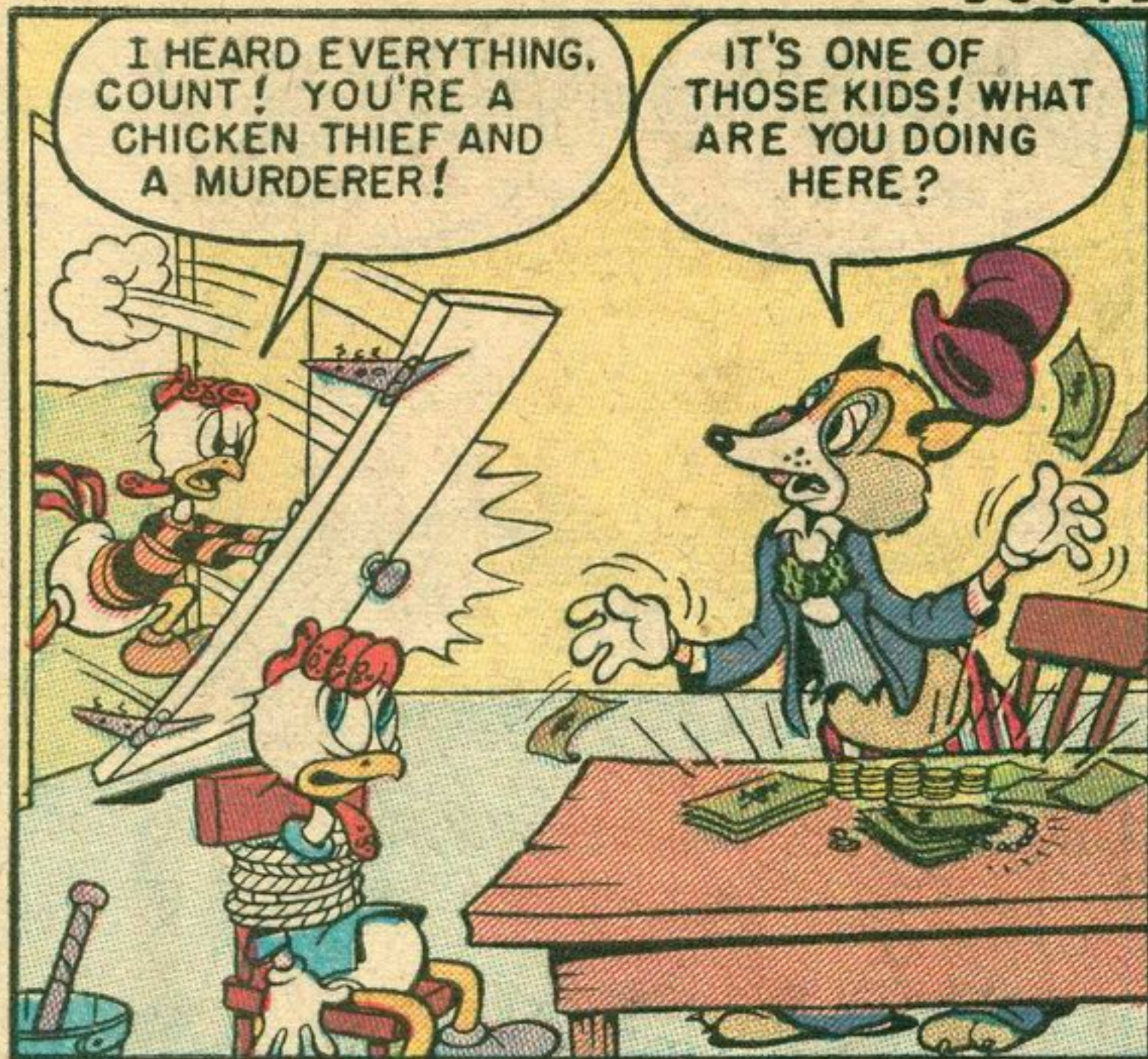
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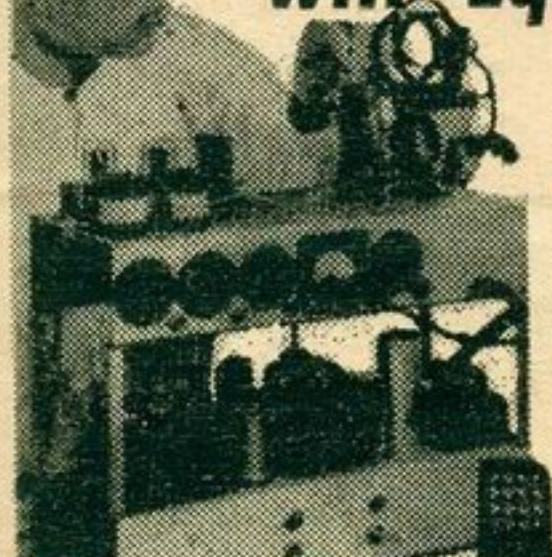
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